MINUTES

OF THE

NINETEENTH CONVENTION

OF THE

English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest

HELD IN

Epiphany English Evangelical Lutheran Church

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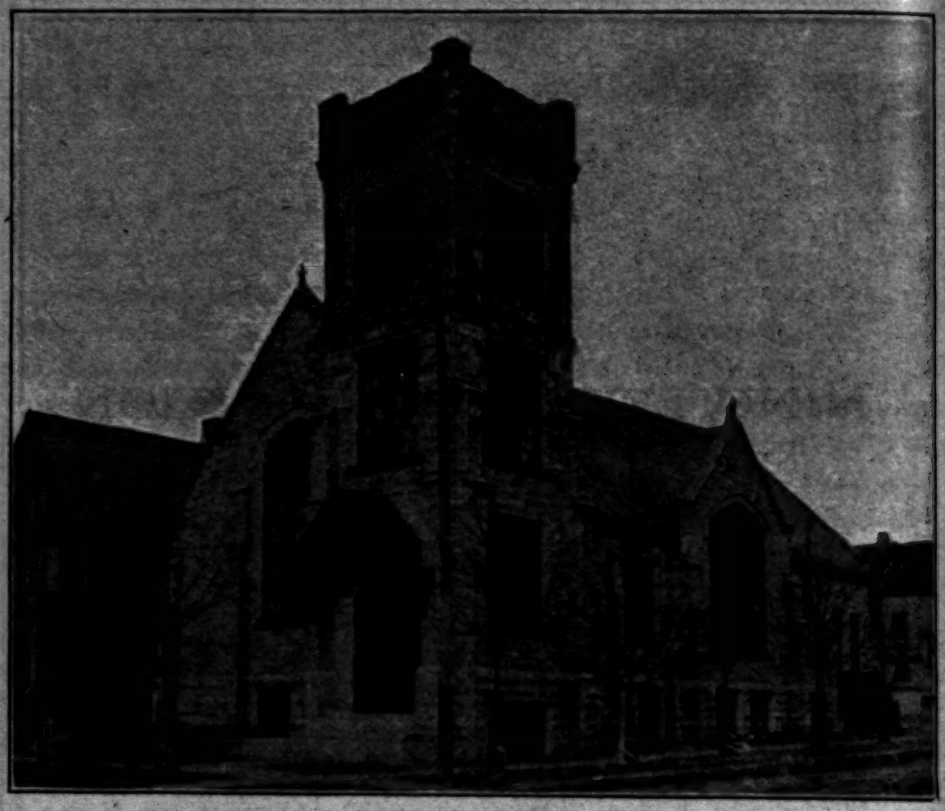

Epiphany Church, Milwaukee, Wis., Where Synod Convened

THE Church of the Epiphany, which entertained Synod this year was organized by Rev. A. C. Anda on March 2nd, 1905, with forty-nine charter members, only nine of whom were men. The congregation is the result of the missionary activities of Dr. W. K. Frick, who gathered a little Sunday School into a cottage on the northwest corner of Fourth and Locust streets, on the 9th of June, 1901. Twenty-five children attended the first service. In September, 1904, the little band moved into the Strauss Building, 914, 3rd street, where the congregation was organized and worshiped until it entered the basement of its present church home on December 23rd, 1906. The church was completed at a cost of $28,000, and consecrated on April 21, 1907. The growth of this work has been rapid. The membership is nearing 300 and the Sunday School is one of the largest in the Synod. Her daily Christian Kindergarten, in charge of Sister Tabitha Ritzmann, is the first of its kind to be opened in our church in the West. Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht is pastor of the congregation which has been self-supporting since December 1908. Epiphany is an example of Home Mission effort by modern methods.

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OPENING SERVICE.

The nineteenth annual convention of "The English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest" was held in the English Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Epiphany, Milwaukee, Wis., the Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, pastor, beginning Wednesday, June 16th, 1909.

The service of Confession and Absolution was conducted by the Rev. H. K. Gebhart. The Chief Service was conducted by the Rev. John Keehley. The sermon being preached by the president, the Rev. A. J. Reichert on 1 Chron. 12:32. The Lord's Supper was then administered to the delegates and visiting brethren.

At the close of the service the president appointed the Rev. G. K. Rubrecht and Mr. W. F. Laudon together with the secretary of Synod as a committee on credentials.

FIRST SESSION.

Church of the Epiphany, Milwaukee, Wis.

Thursday, June 17th, 1909, 9:15 A. M.

The first business session was opened with the use of the full Matin service conducted by the Sec'y of Synod, the Rev. John Keehley. The president formally opened the convention for the transaction of business according to the "Order for the Opening of Synods."

The roll of ministers was called, the credential committee at this and later sessions reported credentials received from twenty-five lay-delegates. Five ministers were received at later services, making the roll of Synod as follows:

ROLL OF SYNOD.

	MINISTERS	Ordained	Entered Synod	LAY DELEGATES	PARISHES
1	G. H. Trabert, D. D.	1870	1898	C. A. Gustafson	Salem, Minneapolis, Minn.
2	†W. K. Frick, D. D.	1873	1891	Henry Miller.. Wm. L. Darrah	Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wis.
3	J. G. M. Hursh.....	1874	1909	*A. P. Christtensen	Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. D.
4	James F. Beates.....	1884	1909	G. Borgen.....	Trinity, St. Paul, Minn.
5	Geo. H. Schnur.....	1886	1907	**N. L. Gimber	St. James, St. Paul, Minn.
6	H. K. Gebhart.....	1889	1895	C. A. Pierson..	Grace, Kenosha, Wis.
7	W. F. Bacher.....	1889	1908	.....	Memorial, St. Paul, Minn.
8	C. B. Lindtwed.....	1889	1908	Elmer L. Nygaard.....	St. John's, Oshkosh, Wis.
9	A. J. Reichert.....	1890	1901	O. H. Adler....	St. Paul's, Red Wing, Minn.
10	J. L. Murphy.....	1891	1905	Geo. M. Jensen	St. John's, Duluth, Minn.
11	*F. W. Klingensmith.	1894	1909	.....	Redeemer, Livingston, Mont.
12	J. J. Clemens.....	1896	1903	Tollef Evjen...	Holy Trinity, La Crosse, Wis.
13	**R. A. Helms.....	1896	1903	A. L. Hanson..	St. Mark's, N. St. Paul, Minn.
14	A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D.	1896	1905	**Harry J. Johnson.....	St. Johns, Minneapolis, Minn.
15	‡‡F. E. Jensen.....	1897	1897	.....	General Secretary, Chicago Seminary.
16	J. A. Zundel.....	1898	1903	.....	Field Missionary, Minneapolis, Minn.
17	C. W. Valentine.....	1899	1907	.....	On Suspension.
18	Wm. S. Ulrich.....	1899	1908	‡‡‡Earnest Dommer.....	St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D.
19	A. C. Peterson.....	1900	1900	‡Gustav Fox...	St. Paul's, Waterloo, Wis.
20	John Keehley.....	1900	1904	J. E. Nelson...	Salem, Albert Lea, Minn.
21	T. F. Weiskotten.....	1900	1909	.....	Advent, Cedarburg, Wis.
22	P. E. Baisler.....	1901	1901	.....	First English Luth., Winnipeg, Man.
23	Wm. Eckert.....	1901	1905	.....	Holy Communion, Racine, Wis.
24	L. F. Gruber.....	1901	1908	**Charles Johnson	St. Mark's, Minneapolis, Minn.
25	Willis Beck.....	1902	1905	K. O. Anderson.	Goodhue Parish, Goodhue, Minn.
26	††W. P. Christy.....	1904	1904	‡John F. Schooff	St. Peter's, Janesville, Wis.
27	L. W. Steckel.....	1904	1909	‡Frank Burg...	First English Luth., Platteville, Wis.
28	W. H. Gable.....	1905	1905	***Fred Ewald.	Holy Trinity, Superior, Wis.
29	G. K. Rubrecht.....	1905	1905	Theo. Bakke...	Epiphany, Milwaukee, Wis.

ROLL OF SYNOD, Continued.

	MINISTERS	Ordained	Entered Synod	LAY DELEGATES	PARISHES
30	Paul H. Roth.....	1905	1905	Lewis Krause..	Atonement, Beloit, Wis.
31	†††O. S. Yerger.....	1907	1907	**John A. Johnson.....	Trinity, Lindstrom, Minn.
32	**H. R. Gold.....	1907	1907	.....	Holy Trinity, Madison, Wis.
33	L. B. Deck.....	1908	1908	**Jonas Krafve.	Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Minn.
34	Paul L. Kunzmann...	1908	1908	W. F. Laudon..	Reformation, Milwaukee, Wis.
35	.....			.....	First English Luth., Middleton, Wis.
36	.....			.....	St. John's, Inwood, Man.
37	.....			.....	Holy Communion, Minneapolis, Minn.
38	.....			.....	Redeemer, Minneapolis, Minn.
39	.....			.....	Atonement, Racine, Wis.
40	.....			.....	Holy Trinity, Afton, Wis.

* Excused from entire convention.
** Excused from Monday's sessions.
*** Excused from Thursday's and Monday's sessions.
† Excused from Thursday forenoon's session.
†† Excused from Friday's sessions.
††† Excused from Friday's and Monday's sessions.
‡ Excused from Saturday's and Monday's sessions.
‡‡ Excused from Thursday's and Friday's sessions.
‡‡‡ Excused from Monday afternoon's sessions.

On motion the program as arranged by the executive committee was adopted. On motion the hours for closing were fixed at 12 M. and 5 P. M.

The President, the Rev. A. J. Reichert read his official report as follows:

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

For the year ending May 30th, 1909.

Dear Brethren in Christ:

For the third time in our history, we meet in this Lutheran stronghold. The first time in the mother church in 1893, when seven pastors and three lay delegates comprised the Synod. Then there was one small English Lutheran church in this city, in fact, the only one in the state of Wisconsin. In 1898 Synod met again in the mother church. Thirteen pastors and eleven lay-delegates were present. Holy Communion, Racine and Holy Trinity, La Crosse were received at this convention. Since then the growth of the English Lutheran Church in the state of Wisconsin has been marvelous. In Milwaukee there are ten English churches, three of which belong to our Synod. The result of the meager beginning in 1889 is not only the development of Milwaukee but the state of Wisconsin. First came Racine then La Crosse after an interval of eight years waiting. In quick succession came Grace, Kenosha; The First Church, Platteville; St. Peter's Janesville; Epiphany, Milwaukee; Atonement, Beloit; Holy Trinity, Superior; Holy Trinity, Madison; St. Paul's, Waterloo; St. John's, Oshkosh; Reformation, Milwaukee and last but not not the least the Church of the Atonement Racine, which was organized May 30, with 125 charter members. Great credit is due to the mother church and her pastor for the development of the field in Wisconsin. The eagle eye of the latter has been upon every Lutheran stronghold waiting for the opportune time to begin operations, and then with his customary vigor and zeal laid the foundations of many of them. With the appointment of Rev. A. C. Anda to the office of Field Missionary, we enter upon the second epoch in the development of the Wisconsin field. His first work was St. Peter's Janesville and his last to date, Atonement, Racine. He has

shown himself a master in the art of organizing and developing a field. The wisdom of the Board of Home Missions in creating the office of Field Missionary is shown by his work. He has been a wise counsellor to the mission pastors and congregations. Under his supervision, lots were purchased, beautiful houses of worship were erected and the financing of each parish was directed.

RELIGIOUS CONDITIONS IN WISCONSIN.

It is difficult to determine the exact number of church members and the number enrolled in the Sunday Schools of the state, but the following have been gathered from the latest reports and estimates. The Roman Catholic communicant membership is 541,300; which is 24 per cent of the entire population of the state. 63,461 pupils in the Catholic parochial schools, which is 8 per cent of the school population. The Protestant denominations (Lutherans excepted) have a membership of 169,749. There are sixteen Lutheran synods working in Wisconsin which have a membership of 260,000 and 50,000 pupils in Sunday School and parochial schools. The Lutherans outnumber the other Protestant bodies by 74,000. According to the above, the total Protestant Church communicants are 430,000, which is 19 per ecnt of the total population.

There are also less than 198,000 persons enrolled in the Protestant Sunday Schools and parochial schools. About 148,000 are of school age. Therefore 19 per cent of Wisconsin youths are enrolled in Protestant, parochial and Sunday Schools and only 27 per cent of school age are receiving any Roman Catholic or Protestant religious instruction. Of the population of Wisconsin, 1,259,000, or 56.5 per cent are not in connection with any church and 564,000 or 73 per cent of school age are not in any parochial or Sunday School and not receiving religious instruction of any kind. What a mission field for out church!

Under the providence of God we meet in annual convention in this beautiful and stately church; though but four years old, Epiphany has had a rapid growth and has gathered strength from every department of its activities. We rejoice in the divine favor which has attended our work in Milwaukee. While the mother church has given of her substance to found

Epiphany and Reformation, she is still gathering strength for herself and is as vigorous as ever. Her two daughters have passed from childhood to youth and are beautifully housed, and each enters upon the realization of her brightest hopes.

THE PAST YEAR.

The past year has been one of the most prosperous in our history. At the present time there are no vacancies. The pastors have been faithful in their respective parishes; the congregations have been zealous in local and synodical affairs. Great interest has been manifested in comforts of the pastors. In many instances the salaries have been increased and the moving expenses of all new pastors have been paid by the congregations. The relations between pastors and people are most cordial.

PASTORAL CHANGES.

The Rev. C. W. Valentine's resignation of the Lindstrom Parish took effect July 31, 1908.

Rev. G. J. Jost resigned the Church of the Advent, Cedarburg, Wis., Aug. 2, 1908, in order to accept the call of the Rochester, Ind., parish. He was granted a letter of transfer Jan. 9, 1909, to the Chicago Synod.

The Rev. R. W. Yeany, resigned the Church of the Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. D., Aug. 17, 1908, in order to accept the call of the Freeport parish of the Pittsburg Synod. His resignation took effect Sept. 30, 1908. He was granted a letter of transfer to the Pittsburg Synod on the same date.

Rev. H. K. Gebhart, resigned the First Church, Platteville, Wis., in order to accept the call of Grace Church Kenosha, Wis. Said resignation took effect Oct. 18,1908.

Sept. 1, 1908, the Rev. P. E. Baisler resigned Grace Church, Kenosha, Wis., in order to accept the call of the First Church Winnipeg, Man. Said resignation took effect Oct. 10.

Rev. O. S. Yerger resigned Trinity Church, St. Paul, Dec. 1, 1908, in order to accept the call of Trinity Church, Lindstrom, Minn. Said resignation took effect Feb. 24, 1909.

OFFICIAL ACTS.

Installations. The Rev. L. B. Deck was installed as pastor of Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Minn., by the Pres. of Synod and the Rev. A. F. Elmquist Ph. D. Pres. of the Central Conference.

Sept. 6, Rev. W. F. Bacher was installed pastor of Memorial Church, St. Paul, Minn., by the Pres. of Synod.

Rev. H. K. Gebhart, was installed pastor of Grace Church, Kenosha, Wis., Nov. 29, 1908, by the Rev. Prof. Alfred Ramsay, D. D., of the Chicago Theological Seminary.

Rev. J. G. M. Hursh was installed pastor of the Church of the Redeemer, Sioux Falls, Jan. 1, 1909, by the Rev. A. C. Anda, Field Missionary.

The Rev. O. S. Yerger was installed pastor of Trinity Church, Lindstrom, Minn., Mch. 28, 1909, by the Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D.

Rev. L. W. Steckel having received and accepted the call of the First Church, Platteville, Wis., was installed pastor of the same, Mch. 25, 1909, by the Revs. H. R. Gold, W. P. Christy and F. E. Jensen, Gen. Sec of Chicago Theological Seminary.

The Rev. T. F. Weiskotten having received and accepted a call from the Church of the Advent, Cedarburg, Wis., was installed pastor of the same May 12, 1909, by the Rev. W. K. Frick, D.D., assisted by the Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D. D. Supt. of Home Missions.

The Rev. J. F. Beates having received and accepted the call of Trinity church, St. Paul, on the twenty-fifth day of his ordination, June 10, 1909, was installed by the Pres. of Synod and the Rev. G. H. Trabert, D. D.

Corner Stones Laid. The cornerstone of the new church of St. Paul's, Waterloo, Wis., was laid with appropriate services Aug. 2, 1908, by the pastor Rev. A. C. Peterson, assisted by Revs. F. E. Jensen, W. P. Christy and H. R. Gold.

Sept. 6, 1908, the corner stone of the new and beautiful Church of the Reformation, Milwaukee, was laid by pastor assisted by the Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D. and Field Missionary the Rev. A. C. Anda.

Sept. 27, 1908, the corner stone of the Church of the Atonement, Beloit, Wis., was laid by the pastor, Rev. Paul H.

Roth assisted by Rev. Dr. Frick, Revs. W. P. Christy and F. E. Jensen. The congregation completed the basement and held the first service in the same, Sunday, Dec. 6, 1909 when the pastor was assisted by the Revs E. F. Krauss D. D. of the Chicago Theological Seminary and A. C. Anda.

CONSECRATION OF CHURCHES.

St. John's, Oshkosh, Wis., fitted up the dwelling standing upon the lots which it had purchased, for church purposes. The lower half was remodeled and is used for worship; and the upper half as a residence for the pastor. The auditorium is churchly in all its appointments. The building was consecrated by the pastor, October 18, 1908. He was assisted by the Rev. Dr. Frick.

In less than two years from its inception, St. Paul's, Waterloo, Wis., was able to consecrate its new church, Jan. 24, 1909. Its cost is $8,000. The basement for the heating apparatus is of concrete blocks and can be easily converted into a Sunday School room. The church is a beautiful gothic structure with battlement tower. The superstructure is of white pressed brick veneer. The windows are memorials which tell the story of the organization and progress of English Lutheranism in Synod. The oak pews and chancel are of a type which would be a credit to any church. Pastor Peterson was assisted in the services by the President of Synod, Field Missionary Anda and the Rev. Dr. Gerberding of the Chicago Theological Seminary. Large audiences were present at all the services.

In one of the finest residence sections of Milwaukee, there was consecrated on May 23rd, the third church belonging to our Synod, the Church of the Reformation. The church is semi-gothic in architecture with battlement tower. It is constructed of Wauwatcsa limestone with Bedford trimmings. The dimensions, not including tower, are 99x48. The main auditorium will seat 500 and the Sunday School room 600. It is the largest and finest English Lutheran church in Milwaukee. The cost of the complete plant, is $35,000. Consecration day was a red letter day for the congregation and its pastor, the Rev. Paul L. Kunzmann. The consecration

services were in charge of the Rev. J. C. Kunzmann D. D. who preached the sermon. In the afternoon the Rev. Paul W. Roth, Field Missionary, for Michigan preached; and in the evening the Rev. A. C. Anda occupied the pulpit. On Monday evening a fraternal meeting was held at which brief addresses were made by pastors of the city; and on Tuesday night by Dr. Frick and Revs. Gebhart and Weiskotten. The offerings at these services reached the handsome sum of nearly $7,000. The congregation has had a remarkable history. On March 28, 1908, it was organized with 105 charter members by the Rev. A. C. Anda and the Rev. Dr. Frick. Ground was broken for the new building June 1, 1908, Sept. 6, the cornerstone was laid, March 14 the congregation held the first services in the basement, and on May 23rd the church was consecrated. The congregation almost doubled its membership the first year.

St. Luke's Goodhue, Minn., having remodeled its building and purchased a bell the same was consecrated July 28, by the Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D.

The Rev. J. J. Clemens presented to Holy Trinity Church, La Crosse, a baptismal font as a memorial to his beloved wife. The same was consecrated at the fall meeting of the Central Conference by the Rev. Dr. Elmquist.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP.

Pastors. Five pastors having accepted calls to fields of this Synod apply for membership. All present letters of honorable dismissal from their respective Synods. They are the Revs. J. G. M. Hursh from the Rocky Mountain Synod of the General Synod; F. W. Klingensmith from the New York and New England Synod; J. F. Baetes from the Pennsylvania Ministerium; and L. W. Steckel and T. F. Weiskotten from the Chicago Synod.

Congregations. Four congregations apply for membership. The Church of the Holy Communion, Seven Oaks, Minneapolis, organized by Field Missionary Zundel, April 14, 1909, and supplied by Rev. L. B. Deck pastor of Holy Trinity, Minneapolis; the Church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis., organized by Field Missionary Anda and supplied by Student

E. O. Hoffmeister of the Chicago Theol. Sem.; and the Church of the Redeemer, Minneapolis, organized by Field Missionary Zundel, June 6, 1909, and the Church of the Holy Trinity, Afton, Wis.

STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

The beginning of purely English work in Albert Lea, has caused a general awakening in the entire community. A change of pastors in one Lutheran church and the introduction of English Sunday Schools in two others, have been the means of not only retaining their own children, but reaching out after those who have been going elsewhere or not at all. The Reformed churches are likewise more aggressive than ever before. The sad condition of two years ago from inactivity and neglect is no longer the case in Albert Lea. Salem congregation has sustained heavy losses in death and removal. The financial burden is a heavy one; but with all the work is forging ahead and in time, Salem will become a potent factor in the community. The congregation is now considering the purchase of a church property.

St. John's, Duluth, has been developing along home and foreign mission lines. One member of the congregation offers to educate a young man for the ministry. The Church is in a prosperous condition.

Holy Trinity, Superior, is at present worshipping in the Danish Lutheran church which is unfavorably located. The church has become too small for the growing congregation. It is expected that the new church in course of erection will be completed in the fall. It will cost $5,000. In connection with Trinity the pastor serves a mission in East Superior. The latter was an average attendance at church and Sunday School of 30.

Church of the Redeemer, Sioux Falls. This difficult field shows evidences of progress financially and spiritually. The mid-week Lenten services were well attended, the Sunday School is larger than ever and the attendance at all services has increased. A young people's society has been organized. As the German Lutheran congregation is nego-

tiating to purchase the property occupied by the mission, it has become absolutely necessary for the congregation to have a home of its own. May the good Lord hasten the day when all our missions will be properly housed.

St. James, St. Paul, reports an increased average attendance at Sunday School, the need of more room, a number of losses by removal, the latter more than made up by the accessions, and best of all, the indebtedness of the congregation both floating and morgaged, all cancelled. On Easter evening, the mortgage was burned and the congregation gave a hearty vote of thanks to the Church Extension Society for their loan, part of which St. James has had the use of for five years. The congregation has its problems to solve and has a good promise for the future.

Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, has renovated its church inside and out and has installed a furnace. The attendance at Sunday School has doubled and has reached the 300 mark. Its finances are in fine condition. The congregation contributed eight times its apportionment for church extenson and double its apportionment for home missions.

St. Paul's, Red Wing, has had a prosperous year. Its excellence is in its benevolent contributions which reached the sum of $456, $144 more than the apportionment.

Epiphany Milwaukee, became self supporting Dec. 1. Its accessions for the year were 103. A Christian kindergarten was organized with four workers. It publishes a parish paper called Epiphany Echoes.

Holy Communion, Racine, has prosecuted the king's business with zeal. As a result, we have the Church of the Atonement which was organized with 125 charter members by Field Missionary Anda. Two lots have been purchased and the Church of the Atonement will have a home of its own by fall. It now worships in a tent. The new church will cost $12,000.

Grace church, Kenosha, added 35 to its membership since the beginning of the present pastorate. An effort is being made to increase the income of the congregation.

Trinity, St. Paul, after a vacancy of several months has its own pastor in the person of Rev. J. F. Baetes formerly of

Wilkes Barre, Pa. During the vacancy the Prof. E. W. Smith supplied the congregation very acceptably.

St. Marks, Minneapolis, has made commendable progress during the past year. The Luther League supports a student in India. A systematic canvass has been made of the neighborhood of the church which has resulted in a large increase in the membership of the Sunday School.

St. Mark's, N. St. Paul, has purchased the property in which it has worshiped. It will be repaired and put in first class condition.

Church of the Atonement, Cedarburg, is encouraged by the coming of Rev. T. F. Weiskotten who is busy arranging for the erection of an $8,000 church on the lots donated by one of its members.

Salem, Minneapolis, has enjoyed a prosperous year. 79 have been added to the roll of members. The benevolent contributions have been more than $1,200. The congregation has also contributed liberally to the mission work in the Twin Cities. It will entertain the General Council in September.

A CASE OF DISCIPLINE.

Charges of a serious nature having been preferred against the Rev. C. W. Valentine by the church council of Trinity Church, Lindstrom, I suspended him from the office of the ministry last December until this convention of Synod. On account of my inability to locate him, I have been unable to send him a copy of the charges as provided for in the constitution. I inserted a notice of his suspension in the Lutheran hoping in this way to reach him. The charges as presented are herewith submitted. I would recommend that a special committee be appointed to consider them and recommend some action to Synod.

PASTORAL OVERSIGHT.

To the oversight of the vacant congregations, I have given a great deal of time. Care has been exercised to secure the best supplies and that no interruption of services occured. In all cases I personally conferred with the church

councils, and in some attended the congregational meetings when pastors were to be called. This I found to be profitable to the pastor called and the congregation on account of the fact that many of our people are unfamiliar with ecclesiastical law and customs. Difficulties which arise can be settled at once and the peace and welfare of the parish promoted. One change, I believe, should be made in our customs and that is the change of time for holding the service of installation. Until recently this has taken place on the Lord's day, when it is the most difficult time for the president of Synod or the members of Synod to attend. It would be well to have such services on a week day evening. By experience, I have learned that our people will turn out at such a service on a week day evening, as well as on Sunday. Oftentimes pastors are unable to attend because of their inability to secure supplies for Sunday. It would lessen the expense of the congregation for there would be no expense incurred by the officiating pastor for a supply. In view of these facts, I would recommend that action be taken by synod requesting the congregations to hold the installation service on a week day instead of on Sunday.

APPORTIONMENTS.

It is a cause for gratification that our congregations endeavor to meet their appointments. Several congregations have raised more than their apportionment. This year the various Boards are asking for larger amounts than heretofore and no doubt will continue to do so each year. In order that the subject can be given careful consideration by Synod and each Board receive its just amount, I would recommend that a standing rule be adopted requiring the apportionment committee to report to Synod at the first business session on the Friday following the opening of Synod, the amount per communicant member required for each benevolent object, and that the consideration of the same be made the first order of business of said session. This I deem advisable owing to the laborious work put upon the committee and that the committee may bring in its completed report earlier during the convention.

THE CASE OF REV. S. W. KUHNS.

At the last convention of Synod, the president was authorized to enforce the provision of the constitution in the case of this brother. I wrote to him requesting him to return his ordination papers. This he refused to do, but requested that a letter of transfer be given to him so that he could unite with the North Carolina Synod. This I felt I could not do, in view of the resolution of Synod and that he had not accepted a call within the bounds of said synod. He has been engaged in secular business and at times supplied vacant parishes. In a letter asking that he be excused from attending this convention, he asks that the action of last year be rescinded and that a letter of transfer be given him to the North Carolina Synod.

REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE.

This organization enrolls 17 societies. The third annual convention was held in Holy Trinity, La Crosse, Oct. 29, 1908. A full financial report will be given in the report of the treasurer of Synod. During the current year, contributions have been received for the following objects: Medical Missions, Home Missions, Inner Missions and Foreign Missions. The annual appropriation toward the support of the field missionary for Minnesota and the Dakotas was increased from $50.00 to $75.00. The treasurer of the society remits promptly all moneys sent to her to the treasurer of Synod. The officers of the society are: Pres. Mrs. G. H. Schnur, V. Pres. Mrs. T. H Kaye, Rec. Sec. Mrs. L. F. Gruber, Cor. Sec. Mrs. A. J. Reichert and Treas. Mrs. T. G. Helle. The next convention will be held in St. John's, Duluth, about the first of October. A question to be determined by Synod is whether the moneys raised by these societies shall be credited on the apportionments of their respective congregations. I have permitted such to be done this year owing to the fact that many pastors desired it and that there was no rule of Synod to the contrary.

SUMMER SCHOOLS FOR LUTHERAN SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS.

Two schools will be conducted by Synod; one in St. John's Church, Minneapolis, and the other with the Chicago

Synod at the Seminary in Chicago. The purpose of these schools is to give the officers and teachers of our Sunday Schools the best possible instruction for effective work. The General Council Graded System will be fully explained and the best methods of Sunday School teaching, especially as applied the different departments and grades, will be discussed and studied. There will be demonstrations of these methods with model lessons in the different departments and grades. There will also be short courses in Mission and Bible Study and a course of three special evening lectures. There are no tuition charges, but all are expected to furnish their own entertainment. These Schools are not intended to be confined to any one synodical organization, but are open equally to all our Lutheran churches for mutual help and encouragement. A splendid corps of instructors and lecturers have been secured for both schools, among them are Dr. Schmauk the originator of the graded system, Dr. Frick, Dr. Leuker, Dr. Sander and members of the faculty of the Chicago Theological Seminary. No Sunday School teacher or officer can afford to remain away from these schools.

EDUCATIONAL MATTERS.

Recently the chairman of the Educational Committee of the General Council informed me that a special meeting of the committee would be held prior to the meeting of the General Council, at which time the courses of study in our academies, colleges, and theological seminaries will be considered. It is intended to establish a uniform standard of graduation from our Lutheran institutions, and a uniform standard for entrance into the ministry. The academic course is to be of the same standard as the best high schools. The college course is to to cover 640 hours annually and Christian Greek and Latin are to be substituted for the classical Greek and Latin selections. Religious instruction is to be given two hours weekly and this is to be imparted to all students irrespective of special courses. The theological course is to cover 500 hours annually for three years for graduation with diploma and an additional year for the degree of B. D. The chairman of the Committee on Education Dr. Weidner, desires that action be taken by Synod requesting the Committee on Education to arrange such courses as are most advantageous and suitable for our institutions

and that the committee should report to the next convention of General Council. I would recommend that such action be taken.

THE STATE UNIVERSITY SITUATION

The religious instruction which is imparted to our students in our state universities claims the attention of all Christian people, and to my mind calls for some action by this body. At the present time here are at least 3000 students attending our state and non-Lutheran universities. The recent article by Mr. Bolce in the Cosmopolitan on "Blasting at the Rock of Ages" has brought the need of Christian instruction at the state universities before us in an impressive way. At the University of Wisconsin there are 600 Lutheran students and our loss among them is amazing. We lose to the other churches because they are well manned and well equipped, and to rationalism. To see our young people turn from the church altogether, is a serious matter. It is pathetic to see them enter the atmosphere of these universities and lose their religious enthusiasm. Our church has a splendid opportunity to win and retain these laymen who are bound to be future leaders. The universities are proud of the Scandinavian and German blood. Our young men and women are among the leaders in each department in the University of Wisconsin. The church can obtain recruits for the ministry at the State University. Bro. Gold has pursuaded three students from the University of Wisconsin to enter the ministry and has a fourth one seriously thinking of it. At each of the state universities there should be a parish house and student-pastors who can give their whole time to such work. The activities of the other church bodies are an indication of the importance of the work. The Baptists have had a man on the field in Wisconsin for four years at a salary of $1500. The Presbyterians and Methodists and Congregationalists have had one for a shorter period, the latter are gathering funds for a parish house. The Roman Catholics have had man on the field for two years and are erecting a $50,000 chapel and clubhouse, and the Unitarians are erecting a $30,000 parish house. Dr. Van Hise Pres. of the University of Wisconsin favors the student-pastor idea. He says "since assuming the office of president, I have urged each religious denomination to provide for the religious

instruction of the students of its denomination. While at first it seemed a great drawback that the University was unable to undertake religious instruction of the students, I have no idea, if we had the liberty in this respect, that we could have made as adequate provision for the work in question as has come about as the result of the student pastor movement." In view of the importance of this work, I would recommend that a standing committee on College and University Student Work be appointed at the time of the appointment of the regular committees, and that this committee make its first report to this convention of Synod. This committee to be composed of a pastor from each educational center and three lay-delegates.

MEN FOR THE MINISTRY.

In the twenty-five years of our history, Synod has given but three men to this holy office. At the present time there are none attending our theological seminaries. This is a sad condition of affairs. Have we forgotten to pray to the Lord to send forth laborers into his harvest, or have all our congregations been carried away with the spirit of the age, that even our families, no longer, are willing to offer their sons for the ministry. May the Spirit of God cause a deep interest in our congregations in this matter, and may all pastors urge this subject upon the attention of their congregations. It is certainly not the Lord's wish that our synod which is continually crying for men (and he has answered our cry), should not be willing to offer men for the work. May God have mercy upon all of us and help us to do his will.

THE LUTHERAN.

"The Lutheran" is the official organ of the General Council, the sole medium of communication between all sections of the church and the means whereby every interest of our important General Council work is to reach the church. It aims to reach a standard equal to the best papers in America and to inform and inspire the whole church. At this time a determined effort is to be made to increase the circulation by obtaining 3,000 new subscribers. Our Synod made a remarkable showing in the increase of subscribers through the canvass made by the Literature Secretary, the Rev. W. L. Hunton, Ph. D. The management desires the co-

operation of every pastor in securing more subscribers this year. To this end, I would recommend that the secretaries of the Conferences be authorized to confer with the pastors of their respective Conferences and endeavor to secure an agent in each parish who will not only look after the circulation of "The Lutheran" but of all our Lutheran literature and that the secretaries report to their respective Conferences the results of their labors. The Publication Board offers liberal commissions to all agents.

CHURCH EXTENSION SOCIETY.

The Church is to be congratulated upon the substantial growth of this fund. It now amounts to nearly $200,000. Of this amount about $50,000 are loaned to missions upon our territory. During the 39 years of its existence the society has not lost a dollar in its loans. It is the aim of the society to carry on a vigorous campaign to increase the fund and is endeavoring to enlist every pastor in the work by an exchange of pulpits to present the cause to our congregations. I would therefore recommend that Synod co-operate with the Church Extension Society through Dr. Kunzmann in this effort and that Synod authorize the president of each Conference to arrange for the exchange of pulpits in their Conferences.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Two years ago the General Council authorized the Board of Foreign Missions to appoint two commissioners to inspect our India field. The Prof. C. W. Foss of Augustana College Rock Island, Ill., and Rev. C. T. Benze, Erie, Pa. President of the Pittsburgh Synod were appointed. They spent six months upon the field. Upon their return they reported as follows: As a rule the converts attend public services very faithfully and some times go great distances in order to be present. During the services they observe a devout attitude and the manner in which they sing the hymns is enough to stir the heart. At the divine services everywhere, the full order of the Morning Service is used. The people were thoroughly familiar with the responses. The missionaries are overburdened with work. With the scanty supply of men sent from home and the prospective necessary furlough of several in the field the situation is becoming critical. The demands of the times are such that the very best

men the church possesses should be sent to foreign lands. The indications are that there will be in the near future a large ingathering of souls and the church must be ready for it or else lose her opportunities. The Board asks for men and means. It asks for an apportionment of 15 cents per communicant member from Synod this year.

In conclusion, I desire to acknowledge my indebtedness to you all for the assistance rendered me in the discharge of the duties of my office, and thank you all for the Christian courtesy shown me, and especially for the patience and forbearance which my conscious weakness and inefficiency have put to proof.

And now may the blessing of the Lord, the great Head of the Church rest upon our deliberations, our work and our persons and consecrate them all to the promotion of His cause and the honor and glory of His name.

ALBERT J. REICHERT.

Milwaukee, Wis., June 16, 1909.

On motion the report was received and referred to a committee to be subsequently appointed.

On account of the unavoidable absense of the treasurer the Hon. C. A. Smith, the report was read by the Rev. Dr. Trabert.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

C. A. Smith, Treasurer,

In acount with the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

June 24th, 1908, to June 14th, 1909.

RECEIPTS.

Advent Congregation, Cedarburg, Wis. ..... $	2.61
Atonement Congregation, Beloit, Wis.	50.24
English Lutheran Congregation, Cannon Falls, Minn.	29.18
English Ev. Lutheran Congregation, Zumbrota, Minn.	42.87
Epiphany Congregation, Milwaukee, Wis.	150.67
First Church, Middleton, Wis.....	7.05
First Church, Platteville, Wis.	179.28
First Church, Winnipeg, Man.	45.34

Grace Church, Kenosha, Wis.	72.53
Holy Communion Congregation, Racine, Wis.	457.23
Holy Trinity Congregation, La Crosse, Wis.	114.47
Holy Trinity Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	528.60
Holy Trinity Congregation, Superior, Wis.	1.50
Holy Trinity Congregation, Madison, Wis.	24.41
Memorial Congregation, St. Paul, Minn.	229.73
St. John's, Oshkosh, Wis.	63.85
Redeemer Congregation, Sioux Falls, So. Dak.	27.91
Redeemer Congregation, Milwaukee, Wis.	406.45
Redeemer Congregation, Livingston, Mont.	30.89
Reformation Congregation, Milwaukee, Wis.	61.36
Salem Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	1080.33
Salem Congregation, Albert Lea, Minn.	109.73
St. James Congregation, St. Paul, Minn.	240.67
St. Johns Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	369.07
St. Johns Congregation, Duluth, Minn.	230.29
St. Johns Congregation, Stacy, Minn.	20.58
St. Johns Congregation, Inwood, Man.	.00
St. Stephens Mission, St. Paul, Minn.	.00
St. Lukes Congregation, Goodhue, Minn.	39.90
St. Marks Congregation, Fargo, N. D.	269.34
St. Marks Congregation, Minneapolis, Minn.	194.46
St. Marks Congregation, North St. Paul, Minn.	10.81
St. Pauls Congregation, Red Wing, Minn.	399.18
St. Pauls Congregation, Waterloo, Wis.	47.88
St. Peters Congregation, Janesville, Wis.	219.41
Trinity Congregation, St. Paul, Minn.	104.37
Trinity Congregation, Lindstrom, Minn.	65.03
Sisters of Deaconess Mother House, Milwaukee, Wis.	85.10
Twin City Pastoral Association	13.80
Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Central Conference	123.24
Ministerial Education Beneficiary balance from last year	123.03
Balance last report Synodical General Expenses	224.12
Balance last report Synodical Delegate Traveling Expenses	6.71
	6203.22

DISBURSEMENTS.

Synodical General Expenses ..... $	452.12
Synodical Delegates Traveling Expenses.....	116.92
Synodical Home Missions	147.01
Chicago Theological Seminary	1605.37
General Council Foreign Missions, ...	701.96
General Council Foreign Missions, Porto Rico.....	281.33
General Council Home Missions, English	1515.36
General Council Slav Missions	28.77
General Council Church Extension.....	910.28
Orphans, Vasa, Minn.	41.78
Orphans, Joliet, Ill.	3.12
Minneapolis Inner Missions, Lutheran Hospice...	30.00
Salt Lake City Missions	6.00
Funds remaining in Treasury, Ministerial Education	161.52
Funds remaining in Treasury—Synodical General Expenses	126.40
Funds remaining in Treasury—Delegates Traveling Expenses	75.28
	6203.22

DETAILED STATEMENT SYNODICAL DELEGATE'S TRAVELING EXPENSES.

RECEIPTS.

Old Balance ..... $	6.71
Advent, Cedarburg, Wis.	2.61
Atonement, Beloit, Wis.	7.07
Epiphany, Milwaukee, Wis.	11.45
English Lutheran Church, Cannon Falls, Minn.....	1.77
First Church, Platteville, Wis.	1.10
First Church, Winnipeg, Man.	3.58
Holy Communion, Racine, Wis.	.86
Holy Trinity, Madison, Wis.	.73
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis, Minn.....	1.46
Holy Trinity, La Crosse, Wis.....	1.72
Redeemer, Livingston, Mont.....	2.20
Memorial, St. Paul	17.16
Redeemer, Milwaukee, Wis.	58.03
Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	2.20

Redeemer, Zumbrota, Minn.	.32
St. Johns, Stacy, Minn.	2.52
St. James, St. Paul, Minn.	8.06
St. Lukes, Goodhue,	4.46
St. Johns, Minneapolis, Minn.	16.92
St. Marks, Fargo, N. D.	.32
St. Marks, Minneapolis, Minn.	11.36
St. Marks, N. St. Paul, Minn.	1.36
St. Pauls, Waterloo, Wis.	2.90
Trinity, Lindstrom, Minn.	8.11
Salem, Minneapolis,	17.22
	192.20

DISBURSEMENTS.

Epiphany, Milwaukee, Wis.	$ 11.55
First Church, Platteville, Wis.	4.49
Grace, Kenosha, Wis.	12.91
Holy Trinity, Madison, Wis.	6.15
Holy Trinity, Superior, Wis.	11.71
Redeemer, Sioux Falls,	21.80
Reformation, Milwaukee, Wis.	16.96
Salem, Albert Lea, Minn.	3.86
St. Johns, Duluth, Minn.	5.02
St. Johns, Oshkosh, Wis.	4.49
St. Pauls, Waterloo, Wis.	7.24
St. Peters, Janesville, Wis.	10.74
Cash Balance	75.28
	192.20

AMOUNTS STILL DUE FROM CONGREGATIONS, 1906.

St. Marks, North St. Paul	3.82

AMOUNTS STILL DUE FROM CONGREGATIONS, 1907.

Redeemer, Livingston, Mont.	3.08

AMOUNTS STILL DUE FROM CONGREGATIONS, 1908.

Trinity, St. Paul	11.88
First Church, Middleton	1.40
	13.28

DETAILED STATEMENT SYNODICAL EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

RECEIPTS.

From all sources and old balance	578.52

DISBURSEMENTS.

Balance Synodical Home Missions note	178.77
Interest on note	13.88
Printing of Minutes	90.00
General Council Dues	50.00
Secretary's Exenses, Postage, express, etc.....	29.21
Printing	51.95
Traveling expenses—President.....	36.46
Freight Synod Records	1.85
Cash Balance	126.40
	578.52

DETAILED STATEMENT SYNODICAL HOME MISSION ACCOUNTS.

RECEIPTS.

From all sources ..... $	147.01

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rev. Frick, Oshkosh, Wis.	19.35
Rev. Helms, No. St. Paul, Minn.	76.66
St. Johns, Oshkosh, Wis.	1.00
Waterloo, Wis. (Windows)	45.00
Madison, Wis.	5.00
	147.01

Securities of the Eng. Luth, Synod of the Northwest in the Hands of the Treasurer.

Note and Mortgage from the trustees of St. Johns Church of Stacy, Minn., for $300.00, payable April 20, 1909, without interest.

For detailed statement of the congregations contributions see separate sheet herewith.

The Treasurer would urge all congregations to set aside the amounts of their apportionment on the several days appointed by Synod when such contributions should be made

up and forwarded. Very few of our congregations pay any attention to the synodical recommendation on this point, but it would be for the good of all should the pastors and treasurers of our churches give this matter careful attention.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. SMITH

Treasurer of the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

Dated June 14th, 1909.

On motion the report of the treasurer was received and referred to an auditing committee to be subsequently appointed.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The president appointed as tellers: Rev. L. F. Gruber, Rev. W. P. Christy and Mr. Henry Miller.

The result of the election was:

Rev. A. J. Reichert, President.

Rev. W. P. Christy, Secretary.

Hon. C. A. Smith, Treasurer.

On motion the committee on apportionment was requested to report the amount of apportionment as the first order of business on Friday morning.

On motion the Treasurer of Synod was authorized to purchase a suitable case for the transportation of books, etc., necessary at Synod meetings.

The following brethren were recognized by the chair and on motion were accorded the priveleges of the floor.

The Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D. D.

The Rev. C. H. Hemsath.

Mr. E. O. Hoffmeister.

On motion of the pastor loci the members of Synod were given the privilege to attend the Kindergarten session from 9 to 9:30 Friday A. M.

On motion it was decided to have the Ministerium convene at the close of the morning session.

The session adjourned with prayer by the Rev. H. K. Gebhart.

Detailed Statement of Congregation's Contributions, Synodical Year, 1908-1909

	SYNODICAL			GENERAL COUNCIL					ADDITIONAL	SPECIAL CON.					
	General Exp.	Traveling Exp	Home Miss.	Church Ext.	Home Mission	For. Missions India	For. Missions Por. Rico	Slav. Mission	Chicago Sem.	Minister Edu.	Orph's Jol.	Orph's Vass	Salt L. Mis	Lutheran Hos.	Total
Advent, Cedarburg	$	$ 2.61	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$	$ ...	$	$ ...	$	$ 2.61
Atonement, Beloit	8.17	7.07	.....	10.00	.....	.....	.....	....	25.00	....	...	....	...	....	50.24
Epiphany, Milwaukee	12.08	11.45	1.00	21.00	32.08	20.20	10.00	2.01	40.85	....	...	....	...	....	150.67
Eng. Luth., Cannon Falls	3.90	1.77	.....	4.10	9.01	1.95	.....	....	8.45	....	...	....	...	....	29.18
First Church, Platteville	35.37	1.10	.....	13.08	50.00	24.73	.....	....	55.00	....	...	....	...	....	179.28
First Church, Winnipeg	2.70	3.58	.....	21.17	4.20	6.61	.....	....	7.08	....	...	....	...	....	45.34
First Eng. Ch., Middleton	.....	.....	.....	3.64	3.41	.....	.....	....	.....	....	...	....	...	....	7.05
Grace, Kenosha	.....	.....	.....	35.72	24.11	9.35	.....	2.35	1.00	....	...	....	...	....	72.53
Holy Communion, Racine	27.12	.86	30.00	54.24	162.03	73.76	40.68	....	63.54	....	...	....	...	5.00	457.23
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	3.78	1.46	.....	63.04	65.35	30.71	30.71	1.00	30.55	2.00	...	....	...	....	228.60
Holy Trinity, La Crosse	9.54	1.72	.....	48.05	19.54	11.27	4.35	....	10.00	....	...	....	...	10.00	114.47
Holy Trinity, Madison	.....	.73	.....	.....	12.41	11.27	.....	....	.....	....	...	....	...	....	24.41
Holy Trinity, Superior	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	1.50	....	...	....	...	....	1.50
Memorial, St. Paul	15.54	17.16	.....	45.00	78.13	47.90	5.00	....	21.00	....	...	....	...	....	229.73
Redeemer, Milwaukee	64.53	58.03	19.35	5.00	101.42	20.00	.....	....	135.00	....	3.12	....	...	....	406.45
Redeemer, Livingston	.....	2.20	.....	20.61	.....	8.08	.....	....	.....	....	...	....	...	....	30.89
Redeemer, Sioux Falls	.....	2.20	.....	.....	9.13	4.81	.....	....	11.10	.67	...	....	...	....	27.91
Redeemer, Zumbrota	2.64	.32	.....	4.74	9.72	2.00	.....	....	23.45	....	...	....	...	....	42.87
Reformation, Milwaukee	6.36	.....	5.00	36.00	14.00	.....	.....	....	.....	....	...	....	...	....	61.36
Salem, Albert Lea	7.41	.....	.....	30.60	23.21	13.00	6.41	1.00	21.10	2.00	...	5.00	...	....	109.73
Salem, Minneapolis	22.50	17.22	61.25	65.00	282.35	59.54	33.75	3.25	515.72	6.75	...	13.00	...	....	1080.33
St. James, St. Paul	12.00	8.06	.....	34.00	50.00	32.00	18.00	2.00	68.00	4.00	...	12.61	...	....	240.67
St. John's, Duluth	9.86	.....	10.00	21.72	46.41	29.95	16.29	1.81	85.00	3.25	...	....	6.00	....	230.29
St. John's, Minneapolis	22.20	16.92	.....	70.50	126.01	48.10	33.30	3.70	41.68	6.66	...	....	...	....	369.07
St. John's, Oshkosh	4.98	.....	.....	23.55	13.17	.....	.....	....	20.65	1.50	...	....	...	....	63.85
St. John's, Stacy	2.76	2.52	.....	5.52	4.00	.....	1.00	46	3.50	82	...	....	...	....	20.58
St. Luke's, Goodhue	4.80	4.46	.....	5.15	9.24	3.25	.....	....	13.00	....	...	....	...	....	39.90
St. Mark's Fargo	12.78	.32	20.41	83.20	52.59	29.90	19.17	2.13	45.00	3.84	...	....	...	....	269.34
St. Mark's, Minneapolis	12.06	11.36	.....	26.90	53.71	30.00	18.43	2.25	36.00	3.75	...	....	...	....	194.46
St. Mark's, N. St. Paul	.....	1.36	.....	9.45	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	....	...	....	...	....	10.81
St. Paul's, Red Wing	19.28	.....	.....	30.33	74.10	54.55	24.05	5.00	180.70	....	...	11.17	...	....	399.18
St. Paul's, Waterloo	3.12	2.90	.....	9.56	13.14	.....	1.16	....	18.00	....	...	....	...	....	47.88
St. Peter's, Janesville	10.53	.....	.....	43.24	44.76	53.53	16.29	1.81	46.00	3.25	...	....	...	....	219.41
Trinity, Lindstrom	6.51	8.11	.....	26.07	6.84	.....	.....	....	17.50	....	...	....	...	....	65.03
Trinity, St. Paul	11.88	.....	.....	.....	32.49	.....	.....	....	60.00	....	...	....	...	....	104.37
Twin City Pastorial Assn.	.....	.....	.....	.....	13.80	.....	.....	....	.....	....	...	....	...	....	13.80
W. H. & F. M. So. Ct. Con	.....	.....	.....	.....	75.00	30.50	2.74	....	.....	....	...	....	...	15.00	123.24
Deaconess Mother House	.....	.....	.....	40.10	.....	45.00	.....	....	.....	....	...	....	...	....	85.10
Totals	$354.40	$185.49	$147.01	$910.28	$1515.36	$701.96	$281.33	$28.77	$1605.37	$38.49	$3.12	$41.78	$6.00	$30.00	$5849.36

SECOND SESSION

Thursday June 17th, 2:15 P. M.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. Howard R. Gold. Roll was called and the minutes read and approved.

Upon the recommendation of the Ministerium the following applicants were formally received into Synod, and upon their presentation by the chairman of the Examining Committee the Rev. Dr. Trabert, the brethren were heartily welcomed by the president of Synod.

The Rev. James F. Beates.
The Rev. J. G. M. Hursh.
The Rev. T. F. Weiskotten.
The Rev. L. W. Steckel.
*The Rev. F. W. Klingensmith.

On motion it was resolved that a committee on disciplines be appointed.

On motion it was resolved that a committee on College and University student work be appointed.

The following report was presented by the Rev. Dr. Trabert:

REPORT OF BOARD OF CONTROL

Of Ministers' and Ministers' Widow's and Orphans' Fund.

The amount in the Treasury of the Fund at the beginning of the Synodical year was in the form of a note, made payable on demand, by the C. A. Smith Timber Company, for $1109.93 with interest at 6 per cent.

According to the resolution adopted last year, your Board issued a circular letter which was sent to every pastor, during the month of December, requesting that the attention of the congregations be called to this Fund at the annual meeting. The Board had also a number of copies of the rules governing the Fund printed and enclosed a copy with each letter. The letter reads as follows:

To Pastors and Congregations of the English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest.

Greeting: The Board of Trustees elected by the Synod to have control of the fund "In Support of Superanuted Minis-

*Received in absentia.

ters and Widows and Orphans of Deceased Ministers" in our Synod, have been authorized to issue an annual circular to the various congregations relative to this fund.

When the books of the Treauser of the Board were closed, before the meeting of the Synod last June, the amount in the fund was $1,109.93, which was invested with interest at 6 per cent. This is very gratifying, especially when we consider the fact that the Synod is yet young and comparatively small, and this is only the third year since the establishing of the fund. If all our pastors and congregations carry out the principles laid down in the rules governing the fund, there is no reason why it should not reach the amount of $10,000 within five years, especially since the Treasurer of the fund contributes an amount equal to the sum contributed by all the pastors and congregations each year.

The support of the ministry is such that as a rule they receive no more than enough to live, and can lay nothing by to support them when they are old and can no longer engage in active duty, or are otherwise disabled.

It is sad and humiliating to think that a man who has given his best years to the service of the Church and the salvation of souls, when he is old or otherwise disabled should become an object of charity.

The object of this fund is to provide a means by which they may retain their self respect and receive from the Church the support due them as the servants of the Lord.

The Treasurer of the fund is the Hon. C. A. Smith, 410 Andrus Building, Minneapolis, Minn.

With this letter is sent a copy of the Rules governing the fund. It is sincerely hoped that every pastor and congregation will show their interest in, and sympathy with God's needy servants and contribute their due proportion to this fund.

Respectfully,

N. O. WERNER, President,
GEORGE H. TRABERT, Secretary.

The expense for printing and mailing the letter was charged to the Synodical treasury.

The following congregations responded before the close of the Synodical year:

Central Conference.
First Church Winnepeg.
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis.
Holy Trinity, Superior, Wis.
Memorial, St. Paul, Minn.
Redeemer, Livingston, Mont.
Salem, Albert Lea, Minn.
Salem, Minneapolis.
St. James, St. Paul, Minn.
St. John's, Minneapolis.
St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D.
St. Mark's, Minneapolis,
St. Paul's, Red Wing, Minn.
Trinity, Lindstrom, Minn.

This is six in addition to those that responded last year, but four of the congregations which paid their quota last year failed to respond this year. Five congregations failed to respond either last year or this year.

From the Eastern Conference the following congregations responded:

Atonement, Beloit Wis.
Holy Communion, Racine, Wis.
Holy Trinity, Madison, Wis.
Redeemer, Milwaukee, for two years.
St. Peter's, Janesville.

Two congregations that contributed last year, failed to do so this year, but two that had failed to contribute before the end of the Synodical year, last year; viz,—The Church of the Redeemer, Milwaukee, and Atonement, Beloit, fell into line this year—the first mentioned paying also for the previous year. Four congregations failed to respond either last year or this year. It must be remembered, however, that several of the congregations not responding have been in the Synod but a short time, and possibly the matter was never properly brought to their attention.

The pastors who sent in their contributions before the close of the books of the Treasurer, are:

Central Conference,
Rev. P. E. Baisler,
Rev. Wm. F. Bacher,
Rev. Luther B. Deck.

Dr. A. F. Elmquist,
Rev. W. H. Gable,
Rev. L. F. Gruber,
Rev. J. G. M. Hursh,
Rev. John Keehley,
Rev. F. W. Klingensmith,
Rev. J. L. Murphy,
Rev. A. J. Reichert,
Rev. G. H. Schnur.
Dr. Geo. H. Trabert,
Rev. John A. Zundel,

From the Eastern Conference:

Rev. W. P. Christy,
Rev. Wm. E. Eckert,
Dr. W. K. Frick,
Rev. Howard R. Gold,
Rev. Paul H. Roth.

From the Central Conference, five failed to respond, and from the Eastern Conference, six failed to respond.

Of the pastors responding this year, three contributed for two years. Two of the pastors who took charge of congregations in our Synod during the year also contributed to the Fund, although it was scarcely expected of them. It is possible that some pastors and congregations have sent in their contributions since the books were closed and hence will come into next year's report But since the money is invested at the close of the Synodical year, it is important that all of the moneys be sent in before that time, as prescribed by Synod. The whole amount received from congregations and pastors during the year is $358.49. According to the pledge of Hon. C. A. Smith, the amount was doubled, and the interest on the note for $1109.93 at 6 per cent was added, making the total receipts $783.58, this added to the amount invested last year swells the Fund to $1893.51—which was again invested with the C. A. Smith Timber Company. Had all the pastors and congregations responded, the Fund would now be conisderably over $2000.00, but as the plan is so new, it takes time for all to adjust themselves to it. But when we consider that the Fund is being gathered for the benefit of Ministers, disabled by age or sickness, and for indigent widows and helpless orphans of deceased Ministers,

it seems to your Board that the love of Christ should constrain every pastor and congregation to help to swell the Fund as rapidly as possible, according to the rules adopted by Synod.

While the Fund may not have grown as rapidly as some of us may have anticipated, it is nevertheless a matter of congratulation that after three years since the plan went into operation the snug sum of nearly $1900.00 is in the Treasury.

The thanks of the Synod are due the Hon. C. A. Smith for the donation of $358.49—doubling the amount contributed by the pastors and congregations.

Respectfully submitted,

N. O. WERNER, President,
GEORGE H. TRABERT, Secretary,
C. A. SMITH, Treasurer.

N. B. The time of Hon. C. A. Smith and Judge N. O. Werner expires with this convention and their successors should be elected.

MINISTERS' AID FUND

Advent, Cedarurg	$ .00
Atonement, Beloit	9.14
Eng. Luth., Cannon Falls	.00
Epiphany, Milwaukee	.00
First Ch. Platteville	.00
First Ch. Winnipeg	2.25
Grace, Kenosha	.00
Holy Communion, Racine	18.92
Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	4.33
Holy Trinity, La Crosse	.00
Holy Trinity, Superior	4.00
Holy Trinity, Madison	5.20
Memorial, St. Paul	20.39
Redeemer, Livingston	5.88
Redeemer, Milwaukee, 2 years	48.00
Redeemer, Sioux Falls	.00
Redeemer, Zumbrota	.00
Reformation, Milwaukee	.00
Salem, Albert Lea	14.00
Salem, Minneapolis	20.50
St. James, St. Paul	15.45

St. Johns, Duluth	.00	
St. Johns, Inwood	.00	
St. Johns, Minneapolis	22.00	
St. Johns, Stacy	.00	
St. Luke's, Goodhue	.00	
St. Mark's, Fargo	7.86	
St. Mark's, Minneapolis	14.75	
St. Mark's, No. St. Paul	.00	
St. Paul's, Red Wing	12.00	
St. Paul's, Waterloo	.00	
St. Peter's, Janesville	13.82	
Trinity, St. Paul	.00	
Trinity, Lindstrom	4.50	$242.99

Rev. Willis Beck,	.00
Rev. P. E. Baisler	5.00
Rev. Wm. F. Bacher	7.00
Rev. James F. Beates	.00
Rev. J. J. Clemens	.00
Rev. W. P. Christy	5.00
Rev. Luther B. Deck	3.50
Rev. A. F. Elmquist	7.50
Rev. Wm. Eckert	5.00
Rev. W. K. Frick, 2 years	12.00
Rev. H. K. Gebhart	.00
Rev. W. H. Gable	4.00
Rev. Howard R. Gold	3.50
Rev. L. F. Gruber	8.00
Rev. R. A. Helms	.00
Rev. J. G. M Hursh	1.00
Rev. F. E. Jensen	.00
Rev. John Keehley	5.50
Rev. F. W. Klingensmith	6.00
Rev. Paul L. Kunzmann	.00
Rev. C. B. Lindtwed	.00
Rev. J. L. Murphy	5.50
Rev. A. C. Peterson	.00
Rev. A. J. Reichert	.00
Rev. Paul H. Roth, 2 years	6.00
Rev. G. K. Rubrecht	.00
Rev. G. H. Schnur	6.00

Rev. G. H. Trabert	8.00	
Rev. W. S. Ulrich	.00	
Rev. T. W. Weiskotton	.00	
Rev. O. S. Yerger	.00	
Rev. John A. Zundel, 2 years	12.00	$115.50
		$358.49
Like amount from Mr. C. A. Smith in accordance with pledge		$358.49
Interest on Bills Receivable No. 2, from C. A. Smith Timber Co.		66.60
Total receipts from all sources		783.58
Old balance from last year		1109.93
Total on hand		$1893.51

On motion the report was adopted and the Fund's Treasurer's report was referred to the auditing committee.

The president appointed the following committees:

President's Report: The Revs. Dr. Frick, Dr. Trabert, L. F. Gruber, H. K. Gibhart and Messrs. Frank Burg, Theo. Balcke and Gustav Fox.

Conferences: The Revs. P. E. Baisler, J. A. Zundel, R. A. Helms, O. S. Yerger and Messrs. Louis Krause and Charles Johnson.

Auditing: Messrs. Harry J. Johnson, Charles Johnson and J. E. Nelson.

Reception of Congregations: The Revs. Wm. Eckert, J. J. Clemens, A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., Willis Beck, J. L. Murphy and Messrs. G. M. Jensen and Henry Miller.

Apportionment: The Revs. G H Schnur, L. B. Deck, W. F. Bacher, J. G. M. Hursh and Messrs. C. A. Pierson and Earnest Dommer.

Revision of Constitution of Congregations: Revs. J. A. Zundel and J. F. Beates.

Protocol and Printed Minutes: The Revs. John Keehley, A. C. Peterson, W. S. Ulrich, Paul H. Roth, C. B. Lindtwed and Messrs Charles Johnson and K. L. Anderson.

Discipline: The Revs. Dr. Frick, Dr. Trabert, W. F. Bacher, J. G. M. Hursh and Messrs. O. H. Adler and Jonas Krafve.

College and University Student Work: The Revs. H. R. Gold, Paul H. Roth, A. F. Elmquist Ph. D., W. S. Ulrich and Messrs. L. A. Anderson and C. A. Gustavson.

Excuse: The Revs. Paul L. Kunzmann, L. W. Steckel, T. F. Weiskotten and Messrs. J. A. Johnson and Jonas Krafve

Press: The Revs. G. K. Rubrecht, H. R. Gold, W. H. Gable, J. F. Beates and Messrs. W. H. Lauden and Tollef Evjen.

REPORT OF THE CENTRAL CONFERENCE

The Central Conference respectfully submits the following report:

During the past synodical year Conference held three meetings, two special and one regular.

The special meetings were held during the meeting of Synod at Red Wing, when Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., was elected president, Rev. Willis Beck Secretary-Treasurer and Mr. O. H. Adler as the lay member on the Executive Committee of Synod.

The regular convention was held in Holy Trinity, La Crosse, Rev. J. J. Clemens, pastor, Oct. 27-29.

The president preached the opening sermon. In his report, he noted improvements and progress among the following congregations. Goodhue installed a bell, erected a steeple and painted the exterior of its church; Superior was asking for bids for a church 84x38 ft; St. Mark's, N. St. Paul, purchased a church building; Trinity, St. Paul decorated its church outwardly; Trinity Mpls., renovated its interior and installed a furnace; and St. Mark's, Fargo, paid off a snug sum on its parsonage debt. Private parties have interested themselves in Seven Oaks, Mpls., where a real estate man promised his aid in procuring two lots for a church.

In view of the fact that the general S. S. Association of Minnesota is continually interesting itself in our behalf, it was moved that our congregations, as far as possible, confine their energies to the development of S. S. interest and work of their own church. Also, at the request of the president, "that Conference put itself on record on the County Option movement", it was moved that the principle of County Option be approved.

In view of the many conventions next year it was de-

cided to dispense with the spring meeting of Conference for the year 1909. The next meeting is to be held in Duluth beginning the First Monday evening of Oct.

The following subjects were included in the program at this meeting:

"The Enigmas of Human Life, and Their Solution."

"The Ideal Pastor."

"The Ideal Churchmember."

"As a Member of the Church of the Reformation, What can I do,

"For Home Missions?

"For Inner Missions?"

"For Foreign Missions?"

The Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of Conference met at the same time and place as Conference.

A. F. ELMQUIST, President

WILLIS BECK, Secretary—Treasurer.

On motion the above report was received and referred to the committee on Conferences.

President Reichert read the following communication from the Hon. C. A. Smith:

Rev. A. J. Reichert, Pres., Synod of the Northwest, Red Wing, Minn.

Dear Sir: Noticing, with much feeling of regret, that the interest in creating the fund for superannuated Ministers and Ministers' Widows and Orphans, has not been general with all our congregations and Ministers, as I had so much hoped, and being exceedingly anxious that this fund shall reach the amount set, where it can be available for the purpose intended, as soon as possible, I take the liberty to herewith make the following proposition.

If, before the end of this coming year, all the congregations and Pastors connected with our Synod will have paid into this fund the full amount, according to the rules and regulations, since their adoption, by the Synod, for the creation of this fund, then, and in that case, I will add sufficient to amount with the funds now on hand, to the full amount set, making this fund available, namely $10,000.00

Hoping most sincerely that each and every congregation and Pastor will heartily join in this very important part of the work of our Synod, and one and all contribute in accord-

ance with the resolutions adopted, at our meeting in Minneapolis, 1906, establishing this fund, I remain,

Most sincerely yours,

C. A. SMITH.

On motion it was resolved that a special committee be appointed to consider the generous offer of the Hon. C. A. Smith and to report to Synod.

The president appointed on this committee the Revs. L. F. Gruber, Wm. Eckert, John Keehley, J. F. Beates, and Messrs. John Schooff and Elmer Nygaard.

REPORT OF THE ARCHIVARIUS.

All papers and documents received by the Archivist have been placed on file. Some numbers of the Synodical minutes were entirely exhausted. Consequently the search for old copies was continued and a goodly number of all years are now on hand. The material, formerly in the possession of Rev. Dr. Haupt, was turned over to me during the year.

A complete set of minutes was sent to Gustavus Adolphus College. The files of the Minnesota Historical Society, State Historical Society of Wis., Chicago Theo. Sem. and Philadelphia Theological Seminary were completed.

It would greatly increase the future usefulness of the Archivist if all the parish papers of Synod were put on file.

Respectfully submitted,

G. KELLER RUBRECHT.

On motion the above report was adopted and ordered spread upon the minutes.

On motion of Rev. J. J. Clemens it was resolved that the Archivarius be instructed to reserve, for the use of Synod, twenty-five complete copies of The Minutes of Synod.

By a unanimous vote Judge N. O. Werner and the Hon. C. A. Smith were elected members of The Board of Control of The Ministers' and Ministers' Widows and Orphans Fund for a period of three years.

The Secularization Of The Lord's Day

was presented in a well prepared paper by The Rev. L. B. Deck, and the same was thoroughly discussed, resulting in the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved that a committee of three be appointed to prepare resolutions upon "The Secularization of The Lord's

Day," expressing the opinions of this Synod as to what our congregations and people can and should do to bring the observance of The Lord's Day into conformity with the teachings of The Word of God; this committee to report at this meeting of Synod.

Synod adjourned with prayer by The Rev. W. H. Gable.

THIRD SESSION

Friday, June 18th, 9:30 a. m.

The Matin Service was conducted by The Rev. C. B. Lindtwed. The roll was called and the minutes of the second session were read, corrected and adopted as corrected.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON APPORTIONMENT.

Your committee recommend that the following amounts be apportioned to our congregations on the basis of fifty-eight hundred (5800) "members now in good standing" reported by the statistical committee and that all amounts be fixed in even dollars (except "Synodical Traveling Expense").

Synodical:		
1.	Synodical Expense	$ 295.00
2.	Synodical Traveling Expense	523.85
3.	Chicago Seminary	1508.00
4.	Ministerial Education	116.00
General Council:		
1.	Home Missions	2500.00
2.	Church Extension	870.00
3.	Foreign Missions	870.00
4.	Porto Rico Missions	522.00
5.	Slav Missions	116.00
		7320.85

For congregational amounts, see apportionment tables. Pages 66, 67.

Respectfully Submitted,
GEORGE H. SCHNUR, Chairman,
WM. F. BACHER,
J. G. M. HURSH,
L. B. DECK,

E. F. DOMMER,
CARL A. PIERSON.

On motion the report was received and adopted in the above form.

On motion the president was given permission at this point to read a portion of his report as Synod's representative on The Board of English Home Missions, bearing upon individual gifts to Home Missions and Church Extension work. Viz.: The Board would recommend that whilst all moneys raised on apportionments should pass through the hands of the Treasurer of Synod; that all funds specially subscribed by individuals, Sunday Schools, and other organizations, and secured by General Agents of the Home Mission Board or the Church Extension Society, be paid directly to the proper officers of those boards. This will avoid much confusion and also increase the contributions toward the cause.

On motion the above recommendation was adopted with the following proviso:

Provided that the Treasurer of the Church Extension Society and the Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions shall report to the pastor of each congregation not later than fifteen days before the meeting of Synod, the total amount so contributed by members of the congregations during the preceding year.

The Report of the Committee on Co-Operation With the Minnesota Conference on Educational Work Was Read by The Rev. G. H. Schnur and Received for Consideration.

On motion the kindly invitation from the three congregations, The Redeemer, The Epiphany and The Reformation, to take an auto ride about the city and parks on Saturday afternoon, was accepted by a rising vote.

Synod adjourned with prayer by the Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D.

FOURTH SESSION

Friday, June 18th, 2:30 p. m.

The devotional service was conducted by the Rev. Wm. Eckert. The roll was called and the minutes were read, corrected and adopted as corrected.

On motion the report of the committee on cooperation with the Minnesota Conference on Educational Work was recommitted.

The report of the committee on the President's report was presented by the chairman, the Rev. Dr. Frick.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The Committee appointed to review the report of the President would recommend the following action:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod records with thankfulness the tactful administration of President Reichert during the past year, to which it has set its seal of approval by his reelection.

2. That we feel grateful to the Board of English Home Missions for well-merited advancement of Field Missionary Anda from the position of Field Missionary to that of Western Assistant Superintendent, in which position we trust that this Synod may have long his efficient cooperation.

3. That we approve of the President's recommendation that installations take place preferably on week days.

4. That, inasmuch as the Rev. S. W. Kuhns has asked for a transfer to the North Carolina Synod, the action of last year be rescinded, his request be granted, and his connection with this Synod terminate with his acceptance by the North Carolina Synod.

5. That this Synod hears with pleasure of the proposition of the General Council's Committee on Education to set a high and uniform standard for our educational institutions, and expresses the hope that such report will be rendered to the General Council at its approaching Convention.

6. That all pastors be requested to set before their confirmation classes the importance of the ministry, and to urge upon the boys to offer themselves for the work; that, as opportunity offers, special sermons be preached on the subject; and that the people be exhorted to make fervent and united prayer for the increase of the ministry of reconciliation.

7. That we heartily endorse the President's comments on the official organ of the Church, believing that the Synod should set before itself as the ideal, "A copy of The Lutheran in every household and a diligent reading of it by every confirmed member;" and that in order to promote its circulation and that of the Home Missionary and The Foreign Missionary, the Conference Secretaries be a committee on Church Papers with instructions to confer with the pastors, and devise and promote such measures as in their judgment shall seem best to extend the circulation of these papers.

8. That the following Amendment to By-Law 9 of Art. III of the By-Laws be voted upon tomorrow: To add: The Committee on Apportionment to report on Friday at 10 a. m.

9. That the Synod commends the approaching Summer Schools at Minneapolis and Chicago to the members of our churches and Sunday Schools for their cooperation and support.

10. That Synod authorizes the President of each Conference, in consultation with such pastors as are willing to enter into the plan, to arrange for an exchange of pulpits in his Conference with a view of stimulating interest in the work of the Church Extension Society.

W. K. FRICK,
GEORGE H. TRABERT,
GUSTAV FOX,
L. F. GRUBER,
H. K. GEBHART,
FRANK BURG.

On motion the report was received and considered item by item and adopted in the above form.

The Duties of the Church Council

was the subject of a paper presented by the Rev. R. A. Helms which provoked an animated discussion.

The session adjourned with prayer by the Rev. J. L. Murphy.

FIFTH SESSION.

Saturday, June 19th, 9:30 a. m.

Matins were conducted by the Rev. A. C. Peterson. The roll was called and the minutes read and approved.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COLLEGE AND UNIVERSITY STUDENT WORK.

Your committee has had under consideration the question of Christian work among the Lutheran Students in State and non-Lutheran Universities and Colleges. They have made the conservative estimate, based partly upon actual census that at least 2500 Lutheran Students are educated at the three centers: Madison, (500); Minneapolis, (1,000) and Fargo, (1000). There are at least 5000 Students in the various higher institutions of learning at Fargo and Moorehead These students are bound to be the leaders in secular and church activities if kept in touch with the church. These three places, among many others, viz, Madison, Minneapolis and Fargo, demand immediate attention. In order to take definite steps toward meeting the needs as they exist, the committee beg to submit the following recommendations and ask for their adoption.

1. That a standing committee of at least six, (6) members be appointed by the President of Synod to have charge of this work.

2. That local committees be appointed to conduct the work at the points requiring attention.

3. That the sum of $100 be appropriated for the work at Madison and at Minneapolis, and $50 for the work at Fargo, provided an equal sum is raised by the local committee at each place.

4. That the standing committee appointed by Synod endeavor to secure at least two Lutheran lecturers to appear at the above mentioned centers under Lutheran auspices, during the coming school year.

5. That the following resolutions be adopted by Synod and sent to the General Council:

Whereas, upwards of 3000 Lutheran Students are in attendance at the non-Lutheran and State Universities and Colleges of the United States and Canada, and,

Whereas, no systematic and adequate effort is being made

to provide them with Christian instruction and to keep alive their interest in the church, and,

Whereas, by this neglect the Lutheran church is constantly suffering great loss in her membership and the influence of her educated youth, the coming leaders in the communities in which they reside.

The English Evangelical Lutheran Synod of the Northwest, hereby earnestly recommends that the General Council of the Evangelical Lutheran Church at the convention to be held at Minneapolis, take definite steps towards a proper and adequate solution of the problems of Christian instruction at the state and non-Lutheran institutions of learning in the United States and Canada.

A. F. ELMQUIST,
L. A. ANDERSON,
W. S. ULRICH,
PAUL H. ROTH,
C. A. GUSTAVSON,
HOWARD R. GOLD.

On motion the report was received, considered item by item and adopted in the above form.

On motion it was resolved that the standing committee to be appointed by the President be empowered to raise the funds and carry on the work.

President Reichart read his report as the Synod's representative on the General Council's Board of English Home Missions.

REPORT OF HOME MISSIONS IN THE TERRITORY OF THE ENGLISH EVANGELICAL SYNOD OF THE NORTHWEST.

As Synod's representative, I attended both meetings of the Board. Prior to each meeting I wrote to all the missionaries to ascertain the condition and needs of each field. At the fall meeting the folowing officers were elected: Pres., Rev. S. Laird, D. D.; Vice Pres., Rev. J. E. Whittaker, D. D.; Sec., Rev. J. C. Kunzmann, D. D.; Treas. E. Augustus Miller Esq.; General Supt., J. C. Kunzmann, D. D., Rev. A. C. Anda, Western Dist. Supt. Rules and regulations governing the Board and the missionary force, which was followed by election of the Missionary force, were adopted.

During the year the Board has expended upon our terri-

tory $714.00 per month, not counting the cost of supervision. The Western District Superintendent, Rev. A. C. Anda, has been active in the state of Wisconsin, assisting the missions in Milwaukee, Beloit, Madison, Racine and elsewhere in the erection of their churches and in the enlargement of their membership.

The Field Missionary, Rev. J. A. Zundel, has been active, and besides spending two months on the mission itinerary in the fall and assisting the local missionaries, has succeeded in organizing a mission at Arlington Hills, St. Paul, Seven Oaks and Western Ave., Minneapolis, and is laying out larger work for the months to come.

According to the instructions from Synod I transferred the Mission at N. St. Paul to the Board.

For the summer months Student C. J. Rockey of the Chicago Seminary will assist the Field Missionary in the Twin Cities and Student E. O. Hoffmeister will have charge of the mission at Racine. The portable chapel which has been donated for use in St. Paul, Minn., by the congregation at Warren, Pa, is now in course of construction.

As the Board rejoices in the growth of the Lutheran Church, both within and without the General Council, it was pleased to learn of the forward movement which is being made in the Augustana Synod, the United Norwegian Synod and other Lutheran church bodies and has appointed its Supt., Rev. A. D. Crile and your representative, as a committee to enter into negotiations, and if possible, a compact with the mission committees or Boards of these respective bodies in order that our General Council Board may not in the least interfere with their work. Realizing that with all our energy and devotion we have been unable to do the entire work, we welcome into the field these bodies and assure them of our earnest cooperation.

The new plan of missions is based on a careful study of the facts and a proper application of the means to the end. It contemplates the employment of experienced and well qualified men for every important section to investigate fields and organize missions. It adds helpful supervision to the work for the encouragement and success of the missionary. Sufficient assistance is to be given so that the work may not lag to the discouragement of the people and the

missionary. Under such a system we do not believe that it will require ten or fifteen years in order to gather and cement into a self-sustaining congregation the accessible people in a given neighborhood. Whilst the outlay of the first six months may be larger than under the old system, the total expense in bringing the mission to the self-sustentation point will be smaller, and the income from these organizations will be larger.

In studying the Home Mission Field of the Synod of the Northwest, it must be apparent that, with the forces now employed, it cannot be thoroughly cultivated. We ought to have a field missionary for the state of Wisconsin, and another missionary who will spy out land in the Dakotas. We have a lot in Bismark and Mayville, and the former is believed to be ripe for the organization of English Work. These additional agents cannot be employed and supported on the amounts apportioned to the congregations, hence we must devise in harmony with the recommendation of the Board of the General Council special means for the raising of special amounts for this additional and most necessary work.

But east and west of the Synod of the Northwest extending on the one hand to the Atlantic and on the other to the Pacific, and the British Dominions on the north, there is given us a mission territory bewildering in its magnitude and inspiring in its prospects. We have only begun to throw out our skirmish lines and the conquests are beyond all expectations. We have simply scratched the soil and the harvest is abundant. What will it be when the entire army is in action? What will be the harvest when we begin to turn up the rich subsoil? Wherever we have entered, whether in Greater New York in the east, Chicago, Milwaukee, the Twin Cities of Minnesota to the west, or Seattle and Portland on the coast, we find that these cities stand ready to yield us many fold beyond what they ever did in the past. When we think of Canada and our early success in Montreal, and look at the more rapid development in Toronto, Guelph, Galt and Hamilton, we find here a vast field. And from Toronto to the Coast, a distance of more than 2000 miles, we have as yet only one English Lutheran mission. Surely the field is vast.

Whether or not the territory cultivated by our Board al-

most exclusively in Canada, the Northwest, and on the Pacific Coast is to be left to us the future will decide. But our duty to the ungathered is only increased by the fact that we have had and now have that vast field to ourselves. If we are wise as well as faithful, we will so pre-empt the field in this territory that it may not only remain ours but yield us a great harvest to the glory of God. This is the conviction of the Board that we ought to call upon the Church, and not to cease calling, until it has furnished us with the men and means to care for our own properly.

The Board at its last meeting was perplexed as to the best method for raising sufficient funds for the extensive work which we have already entered upon. We have concluded to continue to send out the Home Mission receptacles and prepared services at the Reformation season, and in addition thereto other Home Mission boxes at the Pentecost season and for any period not devoted by Synod or Council to other objects to enable our congregatins to secure increased contributions and thus make up their apportionment for the Home Mission cause. Whilst the Board felt that 50c a year per communicant member should not be the ultimate standard, it should be made the gauge for the present. This body has hitherto been asked to pay $1000 per year to the Home Mission work of the General Council, besides what it would raise for its own local needs. Under the present plan it is asked to apportion $2500.00 among its congregations. If the assistance above indicated will not be sufficient to enable our parishes to raise the increased apportionment, then an itinerary of information and inspiration more extended and comprehensive than the one of the year 1908 will be inaugurated, then the matter will be fully explained to our people by our field missionaries, and we have no doubt that the increased interest developed in our great Home Mission work will result in increased giving.

We are also convinced that if the Home Missionary, a 16-page monthly, devoted to Mission work and Church Extension, and issued at 25 cents a year for single copies, and 10 cents a year in clubs of 20 or more, were more widely circulated, a greater interest would be awakened. The price has been made so low that no congregation might be without ex-

cuse if its members were kept in ignorance of the burning questions which cluster around the salvation of America.

The Board would also recommend that whilst all moneys raised on apportionments should pass through the hands of the Treasurer of Synod, that all funds specially subscribed by individuals, Sunday Schools, and other organization, and secured by General Agents of the Home Mission Board or the Church Extension Society, be paid directly to the proper officers of those Boards. This will avoid much confusion and also increase the contributions toward the cause.

Respectfully submitted,

A. J. REICHERT.

On motion the report was adopted.

The report of the Committee on Reception of Congregations was presented by Chairman Eckert and was received for consideration, pending debate on the question of the age when confirmants should be accorded a vote at congregational meetings.

Synod adjourned with prayer by Rev. W. H. Gable.

SIXTH SESSION.

Monday, June 21st, 9:30 a. m.

Matins were conducted by the Rev. J. L. Murphy. The roll was called. The minutes were read and approved.

Consideration of the report of the Committee on Reception of Congregations was resumed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON THE RECEPTION OF CONGREGATIONS.

Your committee respectfully reports that four congregations have applied for membership in this Synod, namely:

1. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Communion, Minneapolis, Minn.

2. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer, Minneapolis, Minn.

3. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Atonement, Racine, Wis.

4. The Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity,, Afton, Wis.

The constitution of each church was examined and found to agree in all essential parts with the model recommended by Synod.

We recommend that these congregations be received,.

We further recommend that a committee of three be appointed to call attention to points in which the Model Constitution for congregations conflicts with the Constitution of Synod and propose amendments to the Model Constitution, and that all, who assist congregations in adopting constitutions, shall call their attention to the Model Constitution of Synod.

WM. ECKERT,
A. F. ELMQUIST,
J. J. CLEMENS,
H. MILLER,
GEO. M. JENSEN,
J. L. MURPHY.

On motion of Dr. Frick, it was resolved that the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Communion be enrolled as soon as it changes that part of its constitution which relates to voters be made twenty-one years of age.

On motion of Dr. Frick it was resolved that the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Redeemer be enrolled as soon as it makes a like revision of its constitution.

On motion of Rev. Gebhart the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Atonement was received.

On motion of Rev. Gold the Evangelical Lutheran Church of the Holy Trinity was received.

On motion the report was adopted as a whole.

On motion of Dr. Frick, it was resolved that congregations now in the Synod which admit members to voting under twenty-one years of age, to be most earnestly and courteously entreated and admonished to change the voting age to twenty-one years.

Chairman Schnur presented the completed Report of the Apportionment Committee which on motion was received and adopted.

See Tables pages 65, 66, 67.

REPORT OF THE AUDITING COMMITTEE.

We, the undersigned Auditing Committee, do hereby certify that we have examined the books and vouchers of the

Treasurer and have found them correct, neatly kept, and in accordance with the reports submitted to Synod. Including the following reports: Treasurer's Statement, Detailed Statement of Contributions by Congregations and Statement of Ministers' Aid Fund.

Respectfully submitted,
H. J. JOHNSON,
J. E. NELSEN,
CHAS. JOHNSON.

Milwaukee, Wis., June 19th, 1909.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

REPORT OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON STATISTICS AND PAROCHIAL REPORTS.

Your Committee offers the following report:

I. Parochial Statistics: See table page 68, 69.

II. Parochial Finances: See table page 70, 71.

III. Church Organizations: See table page 72, 73.

From the parochial reports and the statistical tables referred to we glean the following facts.

There are 32 pastors serving 38 congregations and one mission. There are 27 church buildings; 8 parsonages and 5 additional lots purchased. The property value is $327,735.00 an increase of $52,425, on which there is an indebtedness of $144,864.00. The increase of local expenditures for the year is $14,817.71.

There are reported for the year,

Students for the Ministry	12
Catechumens	810
In good standing	5800
Number communed	4700
Number confirmed	6617
Total Baptized Members	11242
Infants Baptized	446
Adults Baptized	60
Confirmation	579
Received from Lutheran Congregations	209
Renewals	499
Restorations	35
Losses	
Transfer	144
Otherwise	294

Gain	
Net Increase	896
Current Expense	$38938.91
Extraordinary Expense	28333.65
Total for Local Work	67272.56

BENEVOLENCE.

Synodical Expenses	$ 322.56
Traveling Expenses	197.77
Ministerial Relief	328.49
Chicago Seminary	1768.67
Ministerial Education	41.94
Home Missions	1650.82
Church Extension	932.62
Foreign Missions	684.41
Porto Rico Missions	281.08
Slav Missions	21.71
Other Benevolence	784.48
Total	7022.55
Grand Total	74295.11
Average per Member	11.23

ORGANIZATIONS.

		Increase
Sunday Schools	38	
Enrollment	6200	670
Average Attendance	3750	590
Contributions		
For Local Ojects	$4660.00	$9801.4
For Benevolence	1627.51	325.70
Women's Societies	37	
Enrollment	1344	161
Average Attendance	900	30
Contributions		
Local Objects	$ 7407.98	$726.90
Benevolence	754.98	189.10
Luther Leagues, including Men's Leagues	40	
Enrollment	1224	238
Average Attendance	820	221
Contributions		
Local Objects	$ 1660.86	$537.80

		Decrease
Benevolence	180.49	102.87

Your Committee would also make the following recommendations::

That the following standing resolution be adopted as a substitute for the one on the same subject now in force; see minutes for 1896. Page 24:

Resolved, that the rubric in the Parochial Report, "Baptized Children in Congregation," shall be interpreted to include those not yet confirmed as follows:

(1). Baptized children, whose parents, one or both, are members of the Congregation; (2) all other children who have been baptized by the pastors of the congregation, who have not died or removed from the parish; (3) and all baptized children of the Sunday School, counting no names twice; (4) that greater care be exercised in the filling out of parochial report blanks so that they will not only be accurate, but complete in every particular, and that they be sent to the Secretary of the Committee not later than Monday after Trinity Sunday in accordance with the resolution of Synod.

JOHN A. ZUNDEL,
GEORGE H. SCHNUR,
L. F. GRUBER.

On motion the report was received, considered seriatim and adopted in the above form.

Adjourned with prayer by Rev. F. E. Jensen.

SEVENTH SESSION.

Monday, June 21st, 1.30 p. m.

Devotions were conducted by the Rev. Paul L. Kunzmann. The roll was called and the minutes of the previous session read and approved.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

Your committee would most respectfully report as follows:

A number of important matters have claimed the attention of the Executive Committee throughout the year, among which may be noted:

1. The salary of the pastor of the Mission in N. St. Paul was increased from six hundred dollars ($600.00) to eight hundred dollars ($800.00).

2. It was decided to have one hundred (100) copies of the Synodical Constitution bound for the use of members of Synod.

3. The Secretary of Synod was instructed to secure a separate book in which to inscribe the Synodical Constitution, and to have enrolled all clerical members of Synod in individual signatures.

4. The President was requested to urge the Board of English Home Missions to provide a portable chapel for use in the Twin Cities.

5. The Board was also to be asked to provide one Field Missionary for the Central Conference and one for the Eastern Conference.

6. We would recommend, that the Chairman of the Press Committee report the full proceedings of each convention of Synod to the Lutheran, as well as to the local papers, at the earliest date possible after each convention of Synod

7. We would further recommend, that the Stacy Congregation be requested to return to Synod one-half of the loan, ($150.00) by April 20th, 1910, and the balance by April 20th, 1911.

Respectfully submitted,
A. J. REICHERT,
O. H. ADLER,
H. K. GEBHART,
A. F. ELMQUIST,
JOHN KEEHLEY.

One motion the report was received, considered item by item and adopted in the above form.

REPORT OF THE EASTERN CONFERENCE.

The Eastern Conference submitted the following report of its work during the past year:

At the meeting of June 26, 1908, at St. Paul's Red Wing, the Rev. H. K. Gebhart was elected President; the Rev. W. P. Christy, Secretary and Mr. F. C. Hemsing, member of the Synodical Executive Committee.

Two regular conventions were held one at the Church of

the Advent, Cedarburg, October 6-8, and one at Holy Trinity, Madison, April 20-22.

The Rev. C. B. Lindtwed preached the sermon at the Communion Service, Tuesday evening, October 6th. The President's Report showed progress in all parishes of the Conference. The departure from our Conference of the Rev. P. E. Baisler to Winnipeg, is noted with appreciation of his work in Kenosha and regret for the loss of his closer fellowship. The entering of the Church of the Epiphany, Milwaukee, (Dec. 1st) upon the self sustaining list, the cornerstone laying of the Church of the Atonement, Beloit, (Sept. 27th), the dedication of St. Paul's, Waterloo, (Dec. 1st), the dedication of St. John's, Oshkosh, (Oct. 18th), the cornerstone laying of the Church of the Reformation, Milwaukee, (Sept. 6), are notable events in recent conference history.

Theses on Baptismal Regeneration were presented and discussed and papers were read on "The Relation Between Non-English and English Churches," Today, in the Past, and the Relation to be Sought.

It was resolved that the Madison Mission be assisted by this Conference to the extent of One Hundred Dollars.

In the evening addresses were made on "The Music of the Sunday School Book," and "The Music of the Church Book."

The Madison convention met with the Church of the Holy Trinity, April 20th. The Rev. G. K. Rubrecht preached the sermon at the Communion Service. The President's Report presented a historical sketch of Wisconsin English Lutheranism and of General Council growth. The remarkably promising beginning of the new Church of the Atonement, Racine, the coming of the Rev. L. W. Steckel to Platteville, the remarkable progress in our city churches, are features of the report. The value of the Summer School in Chicago, was emphasized.

At the evening session addresses on Colleges and Theological Seminaries were made.

Historical papers, "Immigration," "Colonization," "Organization," occupied the time of the morning session, while in the afternoon addresses were made on "The General Council," "Its Spirit," "Its Synods," "Its Institutions," "Its Literature," "Its Mission Work."

Conference passed a resolution of sympathy with refer-

ence to the double bereavement in the family of Pres. Gebhart.

The Committee on President's Report called attention to the growth in numbers in our congregations, to the approaching meeting of the General Council in Minneapolis, to the Summer School in Chicago, and to the campaign in the interest of the Church Extension Fund. In the evening the topic, "The Church and The Citizen" was presented.

Respectfully submitted,
H. K. GEBHART, President,
W. P. CHRISTY, Secretary.

On motion the report was received and ordered spread upon the minutes.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONFERENCES.

Your committee would respectfully report as follows:

We have examined the Minutes of the Conferences of Synod and found them properly recorded. There is nothing in the minutes of the Conferences that requires action of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
P. E. BAISLER,
O. S. YERGER,
CHAS. JOHNSON,
L. C. KRAUSE,
JOHN A. ZUNDEL,
R. A. HELMS.

On motion the report was received and adopted.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EXCUSES.

Was presented by the Chairman, the Rev. Paul L. Kunzmann and upon motion it was received and adopted. The recommendations of the committee are tabulated with the Roll of Synod on pages 4, 5.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON PARISHES.

Your committee would submit the following recommendations with reference to the mutual relations existing between the several congregations of parishes composed of two or more congregations:

1st. That the lay delegates to Synod be elected alter-

nately in regular order from the various congregations of the parish.

But that any congregation in a parish may elect a lay delegate from any other congregation of the parish, should it so desire.

2nd. That the salary of the pastor be apportioned among the various congregations, on the basis of communicant membership and financial ability; and that all such parishes be urged to increase the pastor's salary consistent with the increased cost of living, and that such salary be paid regularly each month.

3rd. That when there is a parsonage, the parish be urged to enter into a legal compact for the joint ownership of the property; and in case there be no parsonage, the parish be urged to provide a suitable residence for the pastor.

A. J. REICHERT,
H. K. GEBHART,
W. S. ULRICH.

Upon motion the report was received, considered, seriatim adopted and the committe discharged.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON HON. C. A. SMITH'S OFFER.

Your committee appointed to take into consideration the letter received from the Hon. C. A. Smith pertaining to his generous offer to raise the Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund to the amount of $10,000, upon condition that the members of Synod meet their obligations to the Fund, has the following to report.

We have conferred with all the pastors in arrears and the pastors or delegates of churches in arrears, and with but few exceptions have received the promise of their cooperation to meet the conditions set forth in the offer made.

We would therefore offer the following resolutions to be forwarded to the Hon. Mr. Smith.

Whereas, it was chiefly through the wisdom and farsightedness of the Hon. C. A. Smith that the Ministers' and Ministers' Widows' and Orphans' Fund was originally projected, and

Whereas, through his generous offer of equal amounts for all moneys contributed by pastors and congregations up to $10,000, this Fund was chiefly made possible, and

Whereas, through his additional offer made at this convention of Synod upon certain conditions now to make this fund $10,000, so as to become immediately available, therefore be it resolved,

1. That the Synod gratefully acknowledge the receipt of this munificent offer.

2. That the Synod express its appreciation of the magnanimous spirit that has prompted the same and tender its hearty thanks to the Hon. C. A. Smith.

3. That the Synod hereby express its willingness to do all in its power to comply with the conditions set forth therein, and

4. That the President of Synod appoint a committee of one in each conference to see that these conditions are met.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN KEEHLEY,
JAS. F. BEATES,
JOHN F. SCHOOFF,
WM. ECKERT,
L. F. GRUBER,
ELMER NYGAARD.

On motion the report was received, considered item by item and adopted in the above form.

The President appointed the Rev. James F. Beates and the Rev. L. B. Deck as a committee to prepare resolutions upon "The Secularization of The Lord's Day."

A resolution was introduced by the Rev. J. L. Murphy, viz., "Resolved that we do now proceed to establish an institution of higher learning to be governed by this body."

On motion of the Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., the resolution was received and laid upon the table pending action.

Election of Delegates to the General Council.

The following were elected delegates to the next convention of the General Council in Minneapolis, Minn., September 9th, 1909.

Clerical Delegates	Lay Delegates
Rev. A. J. Reichert, Ex-officio,	Hon. C. A. Smith,
Rev. W. K. Frick, D. D.,	Mr. W. F. Laudon,
Rev. G. H Trabert, D. D.,	Mr. L. A. Anderson,
Rev. George H. Schnur.	Mr. O. H. Adler.

Alternates.

Rev. A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D.,	Mr. H. W. Knauff,
Rev. H. K. Gebhart,	Mr. Frank Burg,
Rev. Wm. Eckert,	Mr. Tollef Evjen,
Rev. W. P. Christy,	Mr. Otto Monson.

On motion of Dr. Frick it was resolved that the Revs. Wm. Eckert and H. K. Gebhart be a committee to publish summary of the proceedings of Synod in pamphlet form in 5000 copies for free distribution throughout the congregations, and that the president be authorized to draw an order on the Treasurer for the expense involved. On motion it was resolved that 800 copies of the minutes of Synod be printed. On motion it was resolved that the abstract and minutes be distributed by the secretary **pro rata** to the congregations, on the basis of members in good standing.

On motion of the Rev. J. J. Clemens the following resolution was adopted.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

Resolved that we hereby express our sincere and hearty thanks to the pastor and people of the church of the Epiphany for the kind hospitality accorded us during the convention:

Resolved that the church of the Redeemer and the church of the Reformation be also extended a vote of thanks for their co-operation with the members of the church of the Epiphany in extending to us the privilege and the pleasure of the automobile ride Saturday afternoon.

Resolved that the pastors of the churches above mentioned be requested to convey these resolutions to their respective congregations.

The following resolution was introduced by Dr. Trabert and on motion was adopted:

Forasmuch as at the last meeting of the General Council held in Buffalo, N. Y., the Church Book Committee was instructed to prepare a book for mission congregations by adding to the Sunday School Book the order for the chief service including the order for Holy Communion, the Introits and Collects, as found in the Church Book, and additional hymns proper for the Communion and Burial services affixed to the present body of the book, and inasmuch as the book as ordered is virtually another Church Book, which, if intro-

duced in congregations would be difficult to supplant by the Church Book and hence would cause confusion, therefore be it

Resolved that we as a Synod put ourselves on record as opposed to the introduction of any book in our mission congregations which will take the place of the Church Book, and that we instruct our delegates to the General Council to request that body not to publish said book.

On motion of the Rev. J. J. Clemens the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved that we instruct our delegates to request the General Council to take immediate steps towards securing a common musical setting to the "Common Service" and the proposed Common Hymnal or to our present Church Book.

Resolved, that in choosing melodies for all musical settings, we desire such as are classic in their adaptation to the hymns and chants.

Resolved that we urge that careful attention be given to the mechanical makeup of the new book so as to render it convenient for, and acceptable to our people.

The following Conference Mission Committees were named by their respective Conferences (see minutes 1908, P. 54.)

EASTERN CONFERENCE.	CENTRAL CONFERENCE.
REV. H. K. GEBHART	REV. A. F. ELMQUIST, PH. D.
REV. W. K. FRICK,, D. D.	REV. J. L. MURPHY
REV. W. P. CHRISTY	REV. JOHN KEEHLEY
	REV. WM. S.ULRICH

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL AND PRINTED MINUTES.

Your Committee on Protocol and Printed Minutes would respectfully report that they have compared the Printed Minutes and Protocol and after having former Secretary correct certain omissions in Proctocol we would report the following differences.

1. In the Printed Minutes p. 3, next to last line, the word "services" should read "sessions"

2. In the Printed Minutes p. 9, line 7 from bottom, "Trinity" north St. Paul should be "St. Marks" north St. Paul.

3. Printed Minutes, p. 10, line 6, the date of installation

of Rev. C. B. Lindtwed, at Oshkosh, should be April 23, 1908, instead of May 7th, 1908.

4. Printed Minutes p. 36, line 9 from bottom, the word "Ministers" should read "Missions."

5. Printed Minutes p. 63, line 3 from bottom, total gain for 1908 should be 677 instead of 564. Also Decrease of 38 should be Increase of 75.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN KEEHLEY
C. B. LINDTWED
W. S. ULRICH
CHARLES JOHNSON
K. L. ANDERSON
PAUL H. ROTH

On motion the report was received and adopted in the above form.

On motion it was resolved that the determining of the place of the next meeting of Synod be left to the Executive Committee, and if possible have the result published in the printed minutes.

On motion of the Rev. George H. Schnur it was **resolved:** That it is the sense of this Synod that the Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Societies of Conferences have the right to have funds raised by their auxiliaries sent to their Treasurer and to have the Treasurer of Synod credit the same to their Society on his books.

On motion of the Rev. George H. Schnur it was **resolved:** That the Treasurer of Synod be authorized to prepare and have printed a form including all the items of the apportionment to be used by the Pastors and Treasurers of congregations in sending remittances to the Treasurer of Synod.

On motion of Dr. Trabert the following resolution was adopted.

Inasmuch as the Church Extension Society to which our congregations are asked to contribute, and which is of such great importance to our General Council Mission work, is a corporation not organically connected with the General Council, although composed of members of the General Council.

Resolved that this Synod has read with approbation on page 308 of the General Council Minutes 1907 the proposal

of the Ministerium of Pennsylvania and trusts that it may be speedily consummated.

On motion of Dr. Frick it was resolved that Item 8, of the report of the Committee on Presidents Report be adopted, viz; "That the following amendment to the By Laws Art. III, Sec. 9 to be entered upon tomorrow, to add: the Committee on Apportionment to report Friday 10 A. M."

Chairman Rev. James F. Beates reported that the Committee on the Secularization of the Lord's Day had no recommendations to submit to Synod.

On motion it was resolved that the Executive Committee be authorized to make proper recompense to the janitor of the church of the Epiphany.

The report of the session of the Ministerium on Friday was presented and adopted.

The president appointed the standing Committees. The Minutes of this session were read and approved and at seven o'clock the Synod adjourned, with singing "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" and the use of the Order for the closing of Synods.

"Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ."

WILLIAM PASSAVANT CHRISTY,
Secretary.

MINUTES OF THE MINISTERIUM

Thursday, June 17th, 1909, 11:30 A. M.

The Ministerium was called to order by the president of Synod, and opened with prayer by the Rev. George H. Schnur.

The report of the Examining Committee was read by the chairman, the Rev. G. H. Trabert, D. D. which was received, considered seriatim and adopted as a whole as follows:

To the Reverend Ministerium of the English Ev. Lutheran Synod of the Northwest:

We, the Examining Committee of the Synod of the Northwest beg to report that at a meeting of the Committee held Wednesday, June, 15, 1909, there appeared before us the following pastors applying for admission to Synod:

1. The Rev. J. G. M. Hursh, now pastor of the church of the Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. D., with regular letter of dismissal from the Rocky Mountain Synod of the General Synod.

2. The Rev. Theodore F. Weiskotten, now pastor of the church of the Advent, Cedarburg, Wis., with regular letter of dismissal from the Chicago Synod.

3. The Rev. Lloyd W. Steckel, now pastor of the First English Lutheran church of Platteville, Wis., with regular letter of dismissal from the Chicago Synod; and

4. The Rev. James F. Beates, now pastor of Trinity church, St. Paul, Minn., with regular letter of dismissal from the Ministerium of Pennsylvania. Your committee held a satisfactory colloquium with these brethren and unanimously recommends that each of them be received into Synod.

Your committee also considered the application of the Rev. Frank W. Klingensmith, now pastor of the church of the Redeemer, Livingston, Montana. This brother presents a regular letter of dismissal from the Synod of New York and New England and has returned satisfactory answer in writing to the usual questions, but upon the advice of his

physician is unable to appear in person at this time. We unanimously recommend that he be received in absentia.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. TRABERT
A. F. ELMQUIST
H. K. GEBHART
WM. F. BACHER
W. K. FRICK
Examining Committee.

Church of the Epiphany, Milwaukee, Wis., June 15, 1909.
Adjourned with prayer by the Rev. J. J. Clemens.

SECOND MEETING.

Friday, June 18th, 1909, 5 P. M.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Frick.

The report of the Committee on Discipline was presented by the Rev. Dr. Frick which was upon motion received for consideration.

On motion it was resolved that the Ministerium recommend to the Synod the approval of the suspension of the Rev. C. W. Valentine which was officially performed by the President. A further recommendation to Synod was that Synod continues this suspension for one year. On motion two more men were added to the original Investigating Committee.

Adjourned with prayer by the Rev. Dr. Trabert.

SPECIAL SERVICES.

Wednesday, June 16.

7:30 p. m.—Confessional Service.
8:00 p. m.—Synodical Sermon by the President. Holy Communion.

Thursday, June 17.

Home Mission Service.

8:00 p. m.—Vesper Service.

"Home Mission"—Rev. W. F. Bacher, St. Paul, Minn.
"Missions, The Church's Business," Rev. J. A. Zundel, Minneapolis, Minn. Offering for Home Missions.

Friday, June 18.

Foreign Mission Service.

8.00 p. m.—Vesper Service.

"The Foreign Field," Rev. Willis Beck, Zumbrota, Minn.
"The Church's Duty to Porto Rico, Rev. C. H. Hemsath, Agent for the Porto Rico Mission Board. Offering for Porto Rico.

Sunday, June 20.

10:45 a. m.—Sermon, Rev. J. J. Clemens, La Crosse, Wis.

Christian Education Service.

7:30 p. m.—Vesper Service.

Addresses—Rev. L. F. Gruber, Minneapolis, Minn.; Rev. G. H. Schnur, St. Paul, Minn. Offering for Chicago Seminary.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Examining Committee.

Revs. G. H. Trabert D. D., W. K. Frick D. D., H. K. Gebhart, A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., Wm. F. Bacher.

Statistics and Parochial Reports.

Revs. George H. Schnur, J. A. Zundel, L. F. Gruber.

Inner Missions.

Revs. G. H. Trabert, D. D., J. J. Clemens, Wm. Eckert.

University and College Students.

Revs. Howard R. Gold, Paul H. Roth, W. S. Ulrich, A. F. Elmquist, Ph. D., Hon. C. A. Smith, Mr. L. A. Anderson.

Historical Committee.

Revs. G. K. Rubrecht, Willis Beck, A. C. Peterson.

Investigation Committee.

Revs. G. H. Trabert D. D., L. F. Gruber, Wm. F. Bacher, James F. Beates.

Achivarius.

Rev. G. K. Rubrecht.

Committee on Offer of the Hon. C. A. Smith.

Revs. John Keehley, Wm. Eckert.

Report of Committee on Apportionment

ITEMIZED TRAVELING EXPENSE REPORT

	CONGREGATIONS	Clergy	Lay	Total Traveling Expense	Amount Apportioned	Amount Due Synod	Amount Due Congregations
	MINNESOTA—						
1	St. John's, Minneapolis	$ 13.40	$ 13.40	$ 26.80	$ 32.94	$ 6.14	$ .....
2	Memorial, St. Paul	13.00	.....	13.00	30.66	17.72	.....
3	Trinity, St. Paul	13.00	.....	13.00	23.92	10.92	.....
4	St. Paul's, Red Wing	11.46	11.46	22.92	28.15	5.23	.....
5	Salem, Minneapolis	13.40	13.40	26.80	36.90	10.10	.....
6	St. John's Duluth	15.60	15.60	31.20	16.40	.....	14.80
7	St. Mark's North St. Paul	13.50	.....	13.50	7.95	.....	5.55
8	St. James', St. Paul	13.00	13.00	26.00	19.35	.....	6.65
9	St. Luke's, Goodhue	12.48	12.02	24.50	7.95	.....	2.69
10	English, Cannon Falls	.....	.....	.....	6.05	.....	2.02
11	Redeemer, Zumbrota	.....	.....	.....	4.44	.....	1.35
12	Trinity, Lindstrom	14.52	14.60	29.12	12.23	.....	10.95
13	St. John's, Stacy	.....	.....	.....	3.20	.....	2.74
14	St. Mark's, Minneapolis	13.40	13.40	26.80	18.45	.....	8.35
15	Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	13.40	13.40	26.80	10.95	.....	15.85
16	Salem, Albert Lea	13.90	13.90	27.80	9.00	.....	18.80
17	Holy Communion, Minne'lis	.....	.....	.....	2.25	2.25	.....
18	Redeemer, Minneapolis	13.20	13.40	26.60	3.65	.....	22.95
19	Arlington Hill, St. Paul	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	WISCONSIN—						
20	Redeemer, Milwaukee	.....	.....	.....	40.23	40.23	.....
21	Holy Communion, Racine	.60	.....	.60	45.84	45.24	.....
22	Holy Trinity, La Crosse	8.06	8.06	16.12	15.34	.....	.78
23	Grace, Kenosha	1.20	1.20	2.40	20.47	18.07	.....
24	First English, Platteville	6.30	6.30	12.60	15.63	3.03	.....
25	St. Peter's Janesville	2.86	2.86	5.72	15.82	10.10	.....
26	Advent, Cedarburg	.55	.....	.55	4.53	3.98	.....
27	Epiphany, Milwaukee	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
28	Atonement, Beloit	3.46	3.46	6.92	7.48	.56	.....
29	Holy Trinity, Superior	15.30	15.30	30.60	4.83	.....	25.77
30	Holy Trinity, Madison	3.24	.....	3.24	6.72	3.48	.....
31	St. Paul's Waterloo	2.36	2.36	4.72	4.72	.....	.....
32	St. John's, Oshkosh	3.24	3.24	6.48	8.24	1.76	.....
33	Reformation, Milwaukee	.....	.....	.....	15.27	15.27	.....
34	First English, Middleton	.....	.....	.....	3.49	3.49	.....
35	Holy Trinity, Afton	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
36	Atonement, Racine	.....	.....	.....	12.22	12.22	.....
	OTHER STATES—						
37	St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D.	23.00	23.00	46.00	20.40	.....	25.60
38	Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. D	20.06	.....	20.06	2.06	.....	18.00
39	Redeemer, Livingston, Mont	.....	.....	.....	3.49	3.49	.....
	CANADA—						
40	First English, Winnipeg, M.	33.00	.....	33.00	2.63	.....	30.37
41	St. John's, Inwood, Man	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	TOTALS	$310.49	$199.94	$523.85	$523.85	$213.22	$213.22

Respectfully Submitted,

GEORGE H. SCHNUR,
WM. F. BACHER,
LUTHER B. DECK,
J. G. M. HURSH.

APPORTIONMENT TABLE

	NAMES OF CONGREGATIONS	Members in Good Standing	SYNODICAL				GENERAL COUNCIL					TOTAL
			Synodical Expense	Traveling Expense	Chicago Seminary	Minister'l Education	Home Missions	Church Extension	Foreign Missions	Porto Rico Missions	Slav Missions	
	MINNESOTA—											
1	St. John's, Minneapolis	348	$ 18.00	$ 32.94	$ 90.00	$ 7.00	$ 150.00	$ 52.00	$ 52.00	$ 31.00	$ 7.00	$ 439.94
2	Memorial, St. Paul	324	17.00	30.66	85.00	6.00	140.00	49.00	49.00	30.00	6.00	412.66
3	Trinity, St. Paul	251	13.00	23.92	65.00	4.00	108.00	38.00	38.00	22.00	4.00	315.92
4	St. Paul's, Red Wing	298	15.00	28.15	78.00	6.00	128.00	45.00	45.00	27.00	6.00	378.15
5	Salem, Minneapolis	390	20.00	36.90	102.00	8.00	168.00	59.00	59.00	35.00	8.00	495.90
6	St. John's, Duluth	174	9.00	16.40	45.00	3.00	75.00	26.00	26.00	16.00	3.00	219.40
7	St. Mark's, North St. Paul	85	4.00	7.95	21.00	2.00	35.00	13.00	13.00	8.00	2.00	105.95
8	St. James, St. Paul	205	10.00	19.35	53.00	4.00	88.00	31.00	31.00	18.00	4.00	258.35
9	St. Luke's, Goodhue	85	4.00	7.95	22.00	2.00	37.00	13.00	13.00	8.00	2.00	108.95
10	English, Cannon Falls	65	3.00	6.05	16.00	1.00	28.00	10.00	10.00	6.00	1.00	81.05
11	Redeemer, Zumbrota	48	3.00	4.44	13.00	1.00	21.00	7.00	7.00	4.00	1.00	61.44
12	Trinity, Lindstrom	130	7.00	12.23	34.00	3.00	56.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	3.00	167.23
13	St. John's, Stacy	35	2.00	3.20	9.00	1.00	15.00	4.00	4.00	3.00	1.00	42.20
14	St. Mark's, Minneapolis	185	9.00	18.45	48.00	4.00	80.00	28.00	28.00	17.00	4.00	236.45
15	Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	117	6.00	10.95	30.00	2.00	50.00	18.00	18.00	10.00	2.00	146.95
16	Salem, Albert Lea	95	5.00	9.00	25.00	2.00	41.00	14.00	14.00	8.00	2.00	120.00
17	Holy Communion, Minneapolis	25	1.00	2.25	7.00	1.00	11.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	1.00	31.25
18	Redeemer, Minneapolis	40	2.00	3.65	10.00	1.00	17.00	6.00	6.00	4.00	1.00	50.65
19	Arlington Hills Mission, St. Paul	....	....	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	...
	WISCONSIN—											
20	Redeemer, Milwaukee	425	21.00	40.23	111.00	9.00	183.00	64.00	64.00	38.00	9.00	539.23
21	Holy Communion, Racine	484	24.00	45.84	126.00	10.00	208.00	73.00	73.00	44.00	10.00	613.84
22	Holy Trinity, La Crosse	163	8.00	15.34	42.00	3.00	70.00	24.00	24.00	15.00	3.00	204.34
23	Grace, Kenosha	217	11.00	20.47	56.00	4.00	93.00	33.00	33.00	20.00	4.00	283.47
24	First English, Platteville	165	8.00	15.63	43.00	3.00	71.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	3.00	208.63
25	St. Peter's, Janesville	168	8.00	15.82	44.00	3.00	72.00	25.00	25.00	15.00	3.00	210.82
26	Advent, Cedarburg	49	3.00	4.53	13.00	1.00	21.00	7.00	7.00	4.00	1.00	61.53

27	Epiphany, Milwaukee	252	13.00	.....	66.00	4.00	108.00	38.00	38.00	22.00	4.00	293.00
28	Atonement, Beloit	80	4.00	7.48	21.00	3.00	34.00	12.00	12.00	7.00	3.00	103.48
29	Holy Trinity, Superior	50	3.00	4.83	13.00	1.00	22.00	7.00	7.00	5.00	1.00	63.82
30	Holy Trinity, Madison	72	4.00	6.72	18.00	1.00	31.00	10.00	10.00	6.00	1.00	87.72
31	St. Paul's, Waterloo	51	3.00	4.72	13.00	1.00	22.00	8.00	8.00	5.00	1.00	65.72
32	St. John's, Oshkosh	88	5.00	8.24	23.00	2.00	37.00	13.00	13.00	8.00	2.00	111.24
33	Reformation, Milwaukee	162	8.00	15.27	42.00	3.00	68.00	24.00	24.00	15.00	3.00	202.27
34	First English, Middleton	38	2.00	3.49	10.00	1.00	16.00	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	48.49
35	Holy Trinity, Afton											
39	Atonement, Racine	130	7.00	12.22	34.00	3.00	55.00	20.00	20.00	12.00	3.00	166.22
	OTHER STATES—											
37	St. Mark's, Fargo, N. Dakota	216	11.00	20.40	56.00	4.00	93.00	32.00	32.00	19.00	4.00	271.40
38	Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. Dak	23	1.00	2.06	6.00	.....	10.00	3.00	3.00	2.00	.....	27.06
39	Redeemer, Livingston, Mon	38	2.00	3.49	10.00	1.00	16.00	6.00	6.00	3.00	1.00	48.49
	CANADA—											
40	First English, Winnipeg, Man	29	1.00	2.63	8.00	1.00	12.00	4.00	4.00	3.00	1.00	36.63
41	St. John's, Inwood, Manitoba											
	TOTALS	5800	$295.00	$523.85	$1508.00	$116.00	$2500.00	$870.00	$870.00	$522.00	$116.00	$7320.85

PAROACHIAL STATISTICS

Index No.	CONGREGATIONS Names and Locations	PASTORS Name and Address	Organized	Catechumens	Students for the Ministry	MEMBERS Number Communed	MEMBERS In Good Standing	MEMBERS Confirmed	MEMBERS Baptized	ACCESSION Infant Baptisms	ACCESSION Adult Baptism	ACCESSION Confirmation	ACCESSION From Lutheran Congregations	ACCESSION Renewal of Faith	ACCESSION Restoration	LOSSES Death	LOSSES Transfer	LOSSES Otherwise	NET Gain	NET Loss
	MINNESOTA.																			
1	St. John's, Chicago Ave., Minneapolis	Anthony F. Elmquist, Ph. D., 1517 Portland Ave.	1883	35		272	348	405	650	27	1	26	12	10	10	1	13	10	35	
2	Memorial, Sixth St., St. Paul.	William F. Bacher, 573 Selby Ave.	1883	37		279	324	337	563	23	1	30	13			4	5	57		22
3	Trinity, Ada and Roble Sts., St. Paul	James F. Beates, 220 East Roble St.	1886	42		146	251	251	532	25	3	14		1		2	3		13	
4	St. Paul's, West Ave., Red Wing.	Albert F. Reichert, 710 Fourth St.	1886	30		260	298	310	505	15	1	20	5	5	1	5	10	5	12	
5	Salem, 28th St., Minneapolis	George H. Trabert, D. D., 610 W. 28th St.	1890	42		317	390	440	685	21	3	37	17	22		4	12	7	56	
6	St. John's, 3rd St., Duluth	J. L. Murphy, 312 Lake Ave., N.	1890	28		151	174	291	422	8	4	28		12		1		2	41	
7	St. Mark's, N. St. Paul.	Robert A. Helms	1890	10		80	85	104	150	8		10		6		1		8	7	
8	St. James, Marshall Ave., St. Paul	George H. Schnur, 730 Marshall Ave.	1895	33		200	205	239	377	13	1	16	8	11		4	9	12	11	
9	St. Luke's, Goodhue	Willis Beck, Zumbrota	1897	9		67	85	95	155	5		7	2						9	
10	English, Cannon Falls	Willis Beck, Zumbrota	1900	9		45	65	80	140	1	1	6	4	1	1	2			11	
11	Redeemer, Zumbrota	Willis Beck, Zumbrota	1905	10		40	48	70	105	9	3	3	6	2					14	
12	Trinity, Lindstrom	Orlando S. Yerger	1901	9		100	130	170	200	1		9					7		2	
13	St. John's, Stacy	Orlando S. Yerger	1904			31	35	69	90	1										
14	St. Mark's, Lyndale Ave., N., Minneapolis	L. F. Gruber, 2910 Lyndale Ave., N.	1902	37		177	185	235	450	19	2	30	1	22			6	9	40	
15	Holy Trinity, 29th Ave., S., Minneapolis	Luther B. Deck, 2844 29th Ave., S.	1905	22		119	117	125	223	12		17	12	36					65	
16	Salem, Albert Lea	John Keehley, 602 W. Clark	1907	21		84	95	95	149	19	2	12	1	20		1	1	8	25	
17	Holy Communion, Seven Oaks, Minneapolis	Luther B. Deck, 2844 29th Ave., S.	1909				25	25	35	4										
18	Redeemer, Western Ave., Minneapolis	John A. Zundel, 2805 29th Ave., S.	1909				40	40	100				8	32					40	
19	Arlington Hills Mission, St. Paul	John A. Zundel, 2805 29th Ave., S.		15																
	WISCONSIN.																			
20	Redeemer, 16th & Grand, Milwaukee	William K. Frick, D. D., 2305 Cedar St.	1890	45		325	425	492	650	27	2	37	8	22		4	10	40	15	

21	Holy Communion, 10th & Wash., Racine	William Eckert, 1034 Washington Ave.	1898	75		400	484	484	934	30	4	61	13	1		2	48		32	
22	Holy Trinity, West and Ferry, La Crosse	Jno. J. Clemens, 1334 Ferry	1898	16		110	163	163	327	14	1	15		7	5	2	3	19	4	
23	Grace, Prairie and Lyman, Kenosha	H. K. Gebhart, 359 Ridge	1901	30		186	217	217	361	20	1	19	5	7	4	1		20	15	
24	First, Platteville	L. W. Steckel	1902	4		162	165	248	430	17	3	7	6	1				43		26
25	St. Peter's, Jackson and Center, Janesville	Wm. P. Christy, 1315 Pleasant St	1903	31		110	168	196	325	16		16		26		2	1	24	15	
26	Advent, Cedarburg	Theo. F. Weiskotten	1904			43	49	49	67				3						3	
27	Epiphany, 2nd and Clark, Milwaukee	G. Keller Rubrecht, 999 Island Ave.	1905	52	3	205	252	276	640	24	2	52	7	37	2	1	8	16	75	
28	Atonement, Harrison and Clay, Beloit	Paul H. Roth, 848 Park Av.	1905	18	5	68	80	102	257	7	1	15	2	14		2			30	
29	Holy Trinity, 18th and John, Superior	W. H. Gable, 1722 Ogden	1905	20		53	50	70	120	16	2	6		5				3	10	
30	Holy Trinity, Washington, Madison	Howard R. Gold	1906	12	2	73	72	79	137	7	1	12	6	12			4	4	23	
31	St. Paul's, Waterloo	A. C. Petersen	1906	7		44	51	51	92	4			3					4		1
32	St. John's, Union and Wis., Oshkosh	Charles B. Lindtwed, 170 Wisconsin Ave.	1907	6		70	88	100	140	4	2	9	4	3		1			17	
33	Reformation, 35th and Elm, Milwaukee	Paul L. Kunzmann, 731 40th St.	1908	29	2	132	162	185	283	10	7	29	8	35					79	
34	First English, Middleton	Howard R. Gold, Madison	1908	20		28	38	38	50	4	4	16		18					38	
35	Holy Trinity, Afton	William P. Christy, Janesville.	1908																	
36	Atonement, Racine	William Eckert, 1034 Wash. Ave.	1909	1			130	130	280			1	47	82					130	
	OTHER STATES.																			
37	St. Mark's, 4th and 8th St., N., Fargo, N. D.	William S. Ulrich, 714 4th Ave., N., Fargo, N. D.	1887	32		232	216	246	421	18	8	10	1	20	2	5	3		33	
38	Redeemer, Minn. Ave., Sioux Falls, S. D.	J. G. M. Hursh, 423 S. Main St., Sioux Falls, S. D.	1905	9		23	23	43	86	15			5	2	2	1		3	5	
39	Redeemer, Livingston, Montana	F. W. Klingensmith, Livingston, Montana	1906	9		23	38	38	57			3		8					11	
	CANADA.																			
40	First English, Winnipeg, Manitoba	P. E. Baisler, 573 Maryland, Winnipeg, Manitoba	1905	6		37	29	29	54	2		6	3	15	8	2	1		29	
41	St. John's Inwood, Manitoba																			
		Totals for 1909		810	12	4700	5800	6617	11242	446	60	579	209	499	35	48	144	294	896	
		Totals for 1908				4445		5676	10976	459	33	545	173	434	14	36	174	425	564	
		Increase				255		941	266		27	34	36	65	21	12			332	
		Decrease								13							30	121		

PAROCHIAL REPORT—Finances

Index No.	CONGREGATIONAL				BENEVOLENCE														
					Synodical			General Council											
	Value of Property	Current Expenses	Extraordin'y Expenses	Total for Local Objects	Synodical Expense	Traveling Expense	Ministerial Relief Fund	Chicago Seminary	Ministerial Education	Home Missions	Church Extension	Foreign Missions	Porto Rico Mission	Slav. Missions	Other Benevolence	Total Benevolence	Grand Total	Average per Member
1	$17000	$2200 00	$1016 21	$3216 21	$22 20	$16 92	$29 50	$41 68	$6 66	$126 01	$70 50	$48 10	$33 30	$3 70	$100 00	$498 57	$3714 78	$9 17
2	18000	2038 97	1555 11	3594 08	15 54	17 16	27 39	21 00	.....	78 13	45 00	47 90	5 00	.....	15 00	272 12	3866 20	11 47
3	6400	882 81	60 00	942 81	11 88	.....	.....	60 00	.....	43 32	15 27	.....	.....	.....	15 00	145 47	1088 28	4 34
4	4500	1200 00	200 00	1400 00	19 28	.....	17 00	191 48	.....	99 10	30 33	54 55	24 05	5 00	11 17	451 96	1851 96	3 98
5	45000	2171 64	.....	2171 64	22 50	21 30	28 50	515 72	6 75	373 60	65 00	76 54	33 75	3 25	108 82	1255 73	3427 37	7 79
6	10000	1812 39	.....	1812 39	9 86	.....	5 50	85 00	3 25	56 41	21 72	29 95	16 29	1 81	41 25	271 04	2083 43	7 50
7	800	493 75	800 00	1293 75	5 70	5 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	9 45	.....	.....	.....	1 50	22 05	1315 80	12 65
8	5000	1821 18	1600 00	3421 18	12 00	11 30	21 45	78 00	4 00	55 91	59 00	32 00	18 00	2 00	77 66	371 32	3792 50	15 87
9	2500	310 00	700 00	1010 00	4 80	4 46	.....	13 00	.....	9 24	5 15	3 25	.....	.....	5 00	44 90	1054 90	11 10
10	3000	280 00	100 00	380 00	3 90	1 77	.....	8 47	.....	9 01	4 10	1 95	.....	.....	.....	29 20	409 20	5 12
11	.....	350 00	.....	350 00	2 64	32	.....	23 45	.....	9 72	4 74	2 00	.....	.....	.....	42 87	392 87	5 61
12	10000	1138 41	.....	1138 41	6 51	8 11	4 50	17 50	.....	6 84	26 07	.....	.....	.....	.....	69 53	1207 94	7 19
13	1500	202 17	.....	202 17	2 76	2 52	.....	3 50	82	4 00	5 52	.....	1 00	46	.....	20 58	222 75	3 23
14	5000	1753 94	245 17	1999 11	12 06	11 36	22 75	36 00	3 75	53 71	26 90	30 00	18 43	2 25	21 60	238 81	2237 92	9 52
15	4000	893 67	410 96	1304 63	3 78	1 46	7 83	30 55	2 00	69 39	63 04	55 71	30 71	1 00	74 96	340 43	1645 06	13 16
16	.....	1488 41	121 27	1609 68	7 41	3 94	19 50	21 10	2 00	23 21	30 60	13 00	6 41	1 00	19 00	147 17	1756 85	18 49
17	600	41 34	14 15	55 49	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 50	1 50	56 99	2 28
18	.....	19 97	.....	19 97	.....	.....	12 00	.....	.....	7 53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 53	39 50	99
19	.....	75 77	.....	75 77	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 25	.....	.....	.....	4 27	9 52	85 29	.....
20	15000	2441 40	799 50	3240 90	26 99	23 00	30 00	269 00	.....	102 97	5 00	20 00	.....	.....	27 68	504 64	3745 54	7 69
21	14000	1892 03	330 32	2222 35	27 12	86	23 92	63 54	.....	192 03	54 24	73 76	40 68	.....	5 00	481 15	2703 50	5 62
22	13000	996 01	750 00	1746 01	9 54	8 56	.....	17 50	3 45	25 54	48 05	11 92	4 50	95	10 00	140 01	1886 02	11 57
23	15000	1370 12	.....	1370 12	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	24 11	35 72	9 35	.....	2 35	38 50	111 03	1481 15	6 83
24	8000	955 14	533 03	1488 17	35 37	1 10	.....	55 00	.....	50 00	13 08	24 73	.....	.....	42 00	221 28	1709 45	6 88
25	12000	1666 47	550 00	2216 47	10 53	10 72	18 82	46 00	3 25	44 76	43 24	58 53	16 29	1 81	34 23	287 68	2504 15	12 78
26	100	455 00	.....	455 00	.....	2 61	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 61	457 61	9 34
27	28200	2050 52	88 00	2138 52	12 08	11 45	.....	40 85	.....	33 08	21 00	20 20	10 00	2 00	18 98	169 64	2308 16	8 29

28	9500	612 44	6213 18	6825 62	8 17	7 07	15 14	25 00	------	------	10 00	------	------	------	------	65 38	6891 00	28 35
29	2000	410 22	442 23	852 45	------	3 13	8 00	1 50	------	5 74	----	4 00	2 34	------	5 00	29 71	882 16	12 60
30	200	807 64	750 00	1557 64	------	73	8 70	1 00	------	12 41	12 92	11 27	------	------	7 03	54 06	1611 70	20 40
31	8435	700 96	4635 06	5336 02	3 12	2 90	------	18 00	------	13 14	9 56	------	1 16	------	----	47 88	5383 90	105 57
32	5500	658 16	594 58	1252 74	4 98	------	------	20 65	1 50	13 17	23 55	6 30	------	------	5 08	75 23	1327 97	13 27
33	35000	1986 48	4522 63	6509 11	6 36	------	------	------	------	19 00	36 00	------	------	------	10 00	71 36	6580 47	35 56
34	------	96 42	------	96 42	------	------	------	------	------	3 41	3 64	------	------	------	------	7 05	103 47	2 72
36	1000	----	150 00	150 00	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	------	150 00	1 15
37	10000	1631 96	600 00	2231 96	12 78	12 14	7 86	45 00	3 84	73 00	83 20	29 90	19 17	2 13	78 25	367 27	2599 23	14 63
38	6500	282 80	------	282 80	------	2 20	------	11 10	67	9 13	4 00	4 81	------	------	1 00	32 91	315 71	7 34
39	3000	545 72	327 25	872 97	----	2 20	11 88	1 00	------	------	20 61	8 08	------	------	5 00	48 77	921 74	24 27
40	8000	205 00	225 00	430 00	2 70	3 58	7 25	7 08	----	4 20	21 17	6 61	------	------	------	52 59	482 59	16 63
1900	$327735	$38938 91	$28333 65	$67272 56	$322 56	$197 77	$328 49	$1768 67	$41 94	$1650 82	$932 62	$684 41	$281 08	$29 71	$784 48	$7022 55	$74295 11	$11 23
1908	275300	--------	--------	52454 85	327 99	313 28	286 76	1656 89	------	1820 16	841 49	549 58	134 72	------	1083 40	6574 68	59029 53	10 40
Inc.	52435	--------	--------	14817 71	------	------	41 73	111 78	------	------	91 13	134 83	146 36	------	------	447 87	15265 58	83
Dec.	------	--------	--------	--------	5 43	115 51	------	----	------	169 24	----	------	------	------	298 92	------	--------	------

PAROACHIAL REPORT. Organizations

	CONGREGATIONS	SUNDAY SCHOOLS				WOMAN'S SOCIETIES				LUTHER LEAGUES			
				CONTRIBUTIONS				CONTRIBUTIONS				CONTRIBUTIONS	
		Enrollment	Avge. Attend.	Local Objects	Benevolence	Enrollment	Avge. Attend.	Local Objects	Benevolence	Enrollment	Avge. Attend.	Local Objects	Benevolence
	MINNESOTA—												
1	St. John's, Minneapolis	189	118	$ 176.54	$ 84.07	67	35	684.44	78.00	*110	49	136.70	
2	Memorial, St. Paul	196	130	218.88	92.00	*86	67	448.10	15.00	90	50	27.50	
3	Trinity, St. Paul	240	155	91.86	43.35	39	15	107.75	35.56	29	15	43.62	
4	St. Paul's, Red Wing	200	140	75.00	52.00	40	21	250.00	75.00	45	27	.....	35.00
5	Salem, Minneapolis	325	192	223.95	180.75	50	30	179.50	47.00	35	30	20.00	25.00
6	St. John's, Duluth	213	163	185.10	50.00	46	40	475.00	37.32	19	15	4.00	.35
7	St. Mark's, North St. Paul	100	58	57.66	9.45	23	17	291.44	.....	28	20	41.45	1.50
8	St. James, St. Paul	240	157	153.04	88.60	80	50	338.07	25.72	†75	45	46.09	7.50
9	St. Luke's, Goodhue	35	20	15.00	.....	29	18	200.00	10.00	33	30	340.00	
10	English, Cannon Falls	79	40	20.00	.....	30	25	125.00	.....	20	15	48.00	
11	Redeemer, Zumbrota	75	45	25.00	.....	25	20	65.00	.....	...	...	.....	.....
12	Trinity, Lindstrom	132	70	51.20	23.53	31	20	548.10	.....	...	...	.....	.....
13	St. John's, Stacy	88	53	26.09	9.52	27	20	60.87	.....	20	15	6.57	.....
14	St. Mark's, Minneapolis	339	161	288.39	55.61	32	13	149.43	16.10	‡64	45	160.03	35.50
15	Holy Trinity, Minneapolis	312	144	151.44	197.90	34	22	61.66	99.96	**75	42	25.16	4.04
16	Salem, Albert Lea	109	77	106.60	41.47	35	25	266.87	14.00	25	15	50.36	.....
17	Holy Communion, Minneapolis	95	40	14.59	.....	18	15	14.15	1.50	...	...	.....	.....
18	Redeemer, Minneapolis	90	68	7.43	7.53	..		.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....
19	Arlington Hills, St. Paul	72	43	61.58	5.25	8	6	14.19	4.27	...	...	.....	.....
	WISCONSIN—												
20	Redeemer, Milwaukee	175	108	148.50	178.42	47	28	18.85	50.00	††40	24	25.00	.....
21	Holy Communion, Racine	625	353	575.00	125.00	†125	75	161.00	55.00	50	24	8.50	60.00
22	Holy Trinity, La Crosse	231	121	154.33	50.97	††30	20	410.56	12.70	††57	34	157.50	60.00
23	Grace, Kenosha	233	158	178.60	42.66	38	33	138.17	6.00	18	15	8.00	.....
24	First English, Platteville	90	55	63.25	.....	††65	43	130.54	.....	25	15	30.52	.....
25	St. Peter's, Janesville	125	100	75.00	62.28	21	12	46.28	40.00	23	15	50.91	.....
26	Advent, Cedarburg	29	24	14.29	.....	18	14	150.00	10.00	14	12	.....	.....
27	Epiphany, Milwaukee	438	270	527.80	22.74	30	20	176.00	.....	††55	45	50.00	.....

28	Atonement, Beloit	101	55	51.49	.....	31	20	64.50	.....	20	20	.....	.....
29	Holy Trinity, Superior	115	60	73.11	.....	24	15	105.00	7.35	30	25	132.00	4.00
30	Holy Trinity, Madison	44	24	37.63	7.03	17	12	160.00	.....	26	15	9.60	.....
31	St. Paul's, Waterloo	50	38	136.00	.....	12	10	370.00	.....	10	7	50.00	.....
32	St. John's, Oshkosh	59	37	35.40	5.00	21	11	162.55	10.00	17	12	11.80	2.60
33	Reformation, Milwaukee	195	101	211.00	50.00	34	30	238.83	10.00	††71	62	83.60	5.00
34	First English, Middleton	...	....	.....	.....	9	6	26.00	.....	...	...	.....	.....
35	Holy Trinity, Afton	...	...	.....	.....	..		.....	.....	...	...	.....	.....
36	Atonement, Racine	125	88	.....	.....	30	20	.....	.....	45	45	.....	.....
	OTHER STATES—												
37	St. Mark's, Fargo, N. D.	250	185	322.20	83.20	50	40	617.49	90.90	40	25	38.95	.....
38	Redeemer, Sioux Falls, S. D.	73	42	26.25	18.05	14	10	2.25	.....	...	...	.....	.....
39	Redeemer, Livingston, Montana	54	31	46.20	24.63	19	14	127.84	.....	...	...	.....	.....
	CANADA—												
40	First English, Winnipeg, Man.	68	26	34.60	16.50	9	8	22.55	3.60	15	12	55.00	.....
41	St. John's, Inwood, Manitoba	...	...	.....	.....								
	Totals for 1909	6200	3750	$4660.00	$1627.51	1344	900	$7407.98	$754.98	1224	820	$1660.86	$180.49
	Totals for 1908	5530	3160	$3679.86	$1291.81	1173	870	$6681.08	$565.88	986	599	$1123.06	$283.35
	Increase	670	590	$ 980.14	$ 325.70	161	30	$ 726.90	$189.10	238	221	$ 537.80	.....
	Decrease	...	...	.....	.....	....	...	.....	.....	...	...	.....	$102.87

*Including Three Societies.
**Including Men's League.
†Including Two Societies.
††Two Societies.
‡Two Societies and Men's Circle.

MINUTES OF THE

Third Annual Convention

of the

Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Central Conference

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Time and Place of Next Convention.

Duluth, Minn., St. John's Church, first week in October, 1909.

Third Annaul Convention.

Held in Holy Trinity Church, La Crosse, Wis., Oct. 29, 1908.

First Session.

The Third Annual Convention of the W. H. and F. M. S. of the Central Conference of the Synod of the Northwest,

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convened according to program in the basement of Holy Trinity Church, La Crosse, Wis., Rev. J. J. Clemens, pastor, at 9 a. m. Oct. 29, 1908.

Opening devotional service was conducted by the pastor loci who also cordially welcomed the delegates. Our President, Mrs. G. H. Trabert, responded.

The Convention was then called to order for business, and the roll called.

ROLL.

	City	Church	Year Entered Society	Delegates
1.	St. Paul,	Memorial,	1905	Mrs. L. J. Good, Mrs. Louise Delwar.
2.	Minneapolis,	Salem,	1905	Mrs. G. H. Trabert
3.	Minneapolis,	St. Marks,	1905	Mrs. L. F. Gruber.
4.	Duluth,	St. Johns,	1906	Mrs. J. L. Murphy.
5.	Lindstrom,	Trinity,	1906	Mrs.. T. H. Kaye, Mrs. E. J. Andrews.
6.	Minneapolis,	Holy Trinity,	1906	Mrs. Mosher, Miss Jensen.
7.	Minneapolis,	St. Johns,	1906	No delegate.
8.	Red Wing,	St. Pauls,	1906	Mrs. A. J. Reichert, Mrs. J. C. Pfeiffer.
9.	St. Paul,	St. James,	1906	Mrs. Helle, Mrs. Schnur Mrs. Rohde.
10.	St. Paul,	Trinity,	1906	No delegate.
11.	Stacy,	St. Johns,	1906	No delegate.
12.	Winnipeg, Man.,	First Eng.	1906	No delegate.
13.	Albert Lea,	Salem,	1907	Mrs. C. L. Sorenson, Mrs. Wm. Schotwell.
14.	Cannon Falls,	English,	1907	No delegate.
15.	Fargo, N. Dak.,	St. Marks,	1907	No delegate.
16.	Goodhue,	St. Lukes,	1907	No delegate.
17.	St. Paul,	Y. L. S. Mem'l. Ch.	1907	No delegate.
18.	Zumbrota,	Redeemer,	1907	No delegate.
19.	La Crosse, Wis.,	H. Trinity,	1908	Mrs. A. Muscheid, Mrs. Larson, Mrs. Magnussen.
20.	North St. Paul,	St. Marks.	1908	No delegate.

The Society at La Crosse applied for membership, and were, on motion, received and their delegates seated. The President then read her annual report a condensation of which follows.

President's Report.

Again we meet as a band of Christian workers having ever in our hearts one aim—to make Christ known to all the

world. Could there be any higher object for which to labor? The work done by each individual society may seem small, but we hope that the least effort has carried some blessing both to those for whom we labor and to ourselves as well. While we may seem to have accomplished very little, we have no reason to be discouraged. The conditions in our own country, as well as the call from heathen lands, has given to our Church a responsibility which we dare not shirk.

The Foreign Field. This now comprises India and Japan, the latter being added during the year. The great need today is men and money; yes, and women workers, not only in India and Japan, but at home to create more enthusiasm for the work. We can scarcely realize the proportions this work of missions has assumed. Could we but hear the call of our foreign missionaries for more laborers, and the cry of the Christless thousands, I am sure we would work all the more earnestly to send the Gospel of love to them.

Two years ago we sent a box to India. During the past year no box was sent, but money instead. In place of sending a box this year, I suggest we try to do something special for our schools in India. If each society would contribute as much in money as the goods with express and freight charges would amount to, we would have over $100 for the direct work on the field.

There is a lace industry connected with our mission in India, under the direction of Mrs. Harpster. This gives employment to many poor women, and is a source of revenue to the mission. During the year I sold $58.00 worth, returning the money to Mrs. Harpster. I have recently received another lot, some of which I have brought to this convention. Remember Mrs. Harpster's promise to the Church in America: "If you will not get tired on that side of the water, I will try, with God's help, to make it go on this side".

Porto Rico. Our Church was one of the first to begin mission work on that Island. We have a small but earnest band of missionaries there. There is great need of funds to expand the work. Churches are needed, and the funds must be supplied by the Church in America. If the work is properly cared for now, it may not be many years until it will be largely able to take care of itself. Miss May Mellander

has started an industry for making drawn-work, which also deserves our hearty support.

Home Missions. There is an open door for the Church on every hand and a great harvest is to be reaped. Men are needed, money is needed to support the missionaries. What are we women of the Church doing to influence our sons and other young men to prepare for the noblest of all work, the salvation of souls? How many young men in the congregations we represent have the ministery in view?

On every side we hear the cry, "send us men to occupy the waiting fields". I believe that if we tried, our society could raise enough every year to support a mission on our territory, besides doing our part for the foreign work.

Inner Missions This includes the looking after the homeless and Christless in our own community. It includes the care of the orphans, the sick, the destitute and straying. It means the lending of a helping hand to those in need, cheering the despondent, lifting up the down trodden. The call is particularly loud in our large cities. We have an Inner Mission Society in Minneapolis which is doing a good work, In providing a home for young women coming into the city for work. Several of our Societies have contributed to it during the year.

Our work as a W. H. and F. M. Society is yet in its infancy. I hope it will expand and that we may have the pleasure of adding and welcoming more societies into our conference organization.

With this meeting my third term as president of our society expires. I take this occasion to thank you all for the general courtesy and hearty support you have given me. If I have failed to do all I wished, or all that you expected of me, may my shortcomings be an incentive for greater results for my successor. Whatever has been accomplished was with the active co-operation of our members, and God's blessing on the work. May the Lord continue to bless our W. H. and F. M. Society. Mrs. G. H. Trabert, Pres.

Referred to Committee on President's Report.

Report of Executive Committee. (Condensed.)

Five meetings were held during the year, a circular letter sent to all Societies, a Spring Meeting arranged for, time and

place of this convention fixed and program arranged. It was decided to have laces from our India Mission, and drawn work from Porto Rico brought to this convention. The proceedings of our Society from its beginning were printed, the same being donated. The Synod of the Northwest voted to hereafter print our minutes with theirs. No expense, other than postage and stationary, have been connected with the Executive Committee's work. In accordance with action taken by 2nd. Annual Conv. (printed minutes. p. 17) your committee have disbursed the funds as follows: Field Missionary $50.00; Remaining funds, India, 40%, Porto Rico, 20%, Home Missions, 40%

Recommendations 1. That a pad of order blanks and receipt forms, for the use of the Treasurer, be authorized printed.

2. That we continue our present policy of centralizing the Executive Committee in the Twin Cities in order to save expense and secure full attendance at the meetings.

3. That in accordance with our Constitution, Art. 8, clauses one and two, our Cor. Sec'y. be made the Committee there mentioned, and also that the blank prepared by our present Cor. Sec'y be made the official form for such reports.

Respectfully submitted.

Executive Com. (signed.)

Adopted Seriatim.

The Cor. Sec'y. reported the sending out of a circular letter, and the preparation of the blank referred to in report of Ex. Com.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Expense Fund.

Receipts.

Sept. 25, 1907. Bal. on Hand	$28.18	
Dues from Societies	32.00	
Dues from Individuals	3.50	
Total		$63.68

Expenditures.

Sept. 26, '07. 200 Constitutions	$ 4.50
Sept. 26, '07. Programs, (2nd. Conv.)	2.50
Sept. 26, '07. Mrs. Trabert	.20
May 13, '08 Programs	1.50

Treas. for postage and P. O. Orders	.71	
Oct. 29, '08. Bal. on Hand	54.27	
Total		$63.68

MISSIONARY FUND.

Receipts.

Sept. 26, '07, Convention Offerings	$10.52	
May 13, '08, Convention Offerings	8.39	
1907-1908 to cash from:		
Minneapolis, St. Marks	5.00	
Minneapolis, Salem	44.20	
St. Paul, Memorial	3.00	
Duluth, St. Johns	21.70	
Lindstrom Trinity	7.00	
Lindstrom, Mrs. Segman	5.00	
Minneapolis, Holy Trinity	1.75	
Minneapolis, St. Johns	16.00	
Minneapolis, (St. Johns) Mrs. Trager	10.00	
Red Wing, St. Pauls	41.00	
St. Paul, St. James	41.72	
St. Paul, Trinity	18.45	
Stacy, St. Johns	2.00	
Goodhue, St. Lukes	.10	
Zumbrota, Redeemer	1.00	
N. St. Paul, St. Marks	3.00	
Totals		$239.83

Appropriations.

Sept. 26, '07, Bal. due Treas	$20.39	
Oct. 9, '07, Albert Lea Congregation	50.00	
Oct. 9, '07, Porto Rico Mission	10.00	
Jan. 9, '08, Field Missionary, Remainder '07,	25.00	
April 20, '08, Utah Mission	50.20	
April 25,, '08 Field Missionary	25.00	
May 20, '08, Porto Rico Mission	2.00	
May 20, '08, Foreign Missions	2.00	
June 9, '08, Foreign Missions	14.00	
Oct. 29, 1908, Bal. on hand	41.24	
Totals		$239.83

Total Bal. in Treasury, $95.51.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. L. J. GOOD, Treas.

Referred to Auditing Com. and Adopted with following Recommendation:

That the Treasurer keep the Dues, Missionary Contributions and Disbursement funds separately.

The President announced the following Committees: **Auditing** Mrs. Pfeiffer, Mrs. Helle. **On President's Report,** Mrs.. Swenson, Mrs. Good. **On Nominations,** Mrs. Gruber, Mrs. Rohde, Miss Jensen.

Mrs. Trabert read a personal letter from Mrs. Harpster.

Adjourned after repeating the Lord's Prayer.

SECOND SESSION.

Devotional service conducted by Rev. L. F. Gruber.

Convention called to Order. Roll Call. Minutes read and approved.

Dr. Trabert read an interesting letter from Dr. Harpster.

Paper, "The Need of Home Missions," prepared by Mrs. John Keehley, read by Mrs. Wm. Schotwell, Albert Lea.

It was decided to hold next convention at Duluth, a most cordial invitation having been extended by St. Johns Church.

The Auditing Com. reported the accounts correct, with recommendation before given. Com. on President's Report commended same highly, and urged adoption of her recommendations. Both Reports adopted.

The following Resolution was adopted.

All money sent in not designated for any special object, shall be appropriated according to the needs of the various objects by the Executive Com.

Pastors present spoke briefly on methods of raising missionary funds. The Mite Box was especially commended.

On motion it was decided that for the coming year "Inner Missions" be one of the objects toward which we contribute and that $10.00 be appropriated next year to that object.

On motion it was decided to raise our appropriation for the Field Missionary's support for next year to $75.00.

The Nominating Com. reported. Election resulted as follows: Pres. Mrs. Geo. H. Schnur; V. Pres. Mrs. T. H.

Kaye; Rec. Sec'y. Mrs. L. F. Gruber; Cor. Sec. Mrs. A. J. Reichert; Treas, Mrs. T. G. Helle.

A rising vote of thanks was tendered the retiring President for her long and efficient service.

Remaining members of the Executive Com. for year were announced, Mrs. G. H. Trabert, Mrs. Judge Holt, Mrs. L. J. Good.

A rising vote of thanks was given the ladies of Holy Trinity Church and Pastor Clemens.

Minutes read and approved. Bills to amount of $4.89 allowed.

The business sessions of the Third Annual Convention then declared closed. Benediction by Rev. O. S. Yerger.

THIRD SESSION.

The closing session was held at 8 p. m.

Vespers conducted by Rev. J. L. Murphy, Duluth.

Stereopticon Lecture, "India," by Pastor Clemens.

Address on Foreign Missions, Rev. O. S. Yerger.

Address on Home Missions, Rev. G. H. Trabert, D. D.

The Organist and Choir of Holy Trinity Church, with additional soloists added much to the pleasure of the congregation during this closing evening. Offering for Missions amounted to $4.43.

Closing Service.

The Third Convention of our W. H. and F. M. S. ended with this session. May our coming year be as fruitful as the closing one.

MRS. GEORGE H. SCHNUR,
Rec. Sec'y.

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